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Welcome to our new staff members



We would like to say hello and welcome to two new members of staff that have recently joined us. Kerrie is our new deputy manager and also the baby room leader. Kerrie joins us with vast amount of experience and knowledge and we look forward to seeing all of the amazing ideas that she will bring to the nursery.



We would also like to welcome Courtney, who is our level 2 apprentice. Courtney has worked within the care industry looking after the elderly and decided to change and care for the younger ones to see them grow and develop into young adults. Please say hello to both when you are next in the nursery.

September News

September started with a bang as we welcomed more children to the nursery. We also celebrated our first year anniversary and birthday in September with the children enjoying a eventful day with face painting and a birthday party.



We hosted our very first annual summer fête with a guest appearance from a special person...Belle from Beauty and the Beast. Who came and entertained all of the children and some of the adults...

Mini paintbrushes

This month in Bumblebees we have been trialing different mark making approaches, but our best option was the mini paintbrushes.

We managed to play alongside our peer sharing the paint pots and paint. We also used some of the chunky crayons to help with our physical development and try and achieve the whole hand grasp.



October News

This month we saw the introduction of our weekly dance class with Cora Theatres. The children are all learning how to move to the music and dance in groups



We have introduced a new nursery uniform to the children in the Butterflies and ladybirds room as a way of uniting the two rooms together and making life easier for all you parents in the morning. Ha Ha! The children have really taken to the uniform making them look very smart indeed.



As we continue to grow in numbers we decided to introduce self registration to the children as a way of recognising their name and getting familiar with the letters in their name. The children register every morning and afternoon.



Happy Halloween!!

This month we have been exploring our spooky senses! We have enjoyed making cakes using our motor skills to help mix up all our ingredients and of course we really enjoyed tasting them after. We have also had lots of touchy; feely experiences such as pasta worms and shaving foam with food colouring to help with our physical development, exploring objects in a variety of ways.



We practised our fine motor skills by hammering in matchsticks into our pumpkins and using pincer grips to pick them up and hold them. Happy Halloween everyone



Upcoming Events

Reminder to Parents

Please can you write your child's name inside their clothing. This could be with a label or simply write their name on the clothing's tag.

As the weather is now getting colder can you please ensure your child has weather appropriate clothing and footwear.

A big thank you to all the parents that contributed to the new menu suggestions, we have taken them all on board and Christine has created a new menu that has been emailed out to all of you.

Friday 10th November, Remembrance Day – 10.30am to 11.15am

To remember our loved ones, we will be painting pictures of poppies and creating our own flowers. You are invited to come in and get creative with us from 10.30 am to 11.15am

St. Andrew's Day, Thursday 30th November

To celebrate the patron saint of Scotland, we will be making Scottish flags, shortbread and invite you to come dressed in blue and white

Wednesday 13th December, Hanukah

To celebrate this Jewish festival of light we will be making lanterns throughout the day.

Thursday 14th December, Christmas songs, Butterflies and Ladybirds (over two year olds)

We would like to invite you to come along and join in 3.30pm to 4.00pm

Friday 15th December, Christmas songs, Bumblebees (under two year olds)

We would like to invite you to come along and join in 3.30pm to 4.00pm.

Monday 18th December, Christmas dinner