



Monkey Puzzle Ware

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Dates for your diary

Friday 25th September

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Christmas Closure

21st December-28th
December inclusive

31st December

Inset Day (nursery closed)

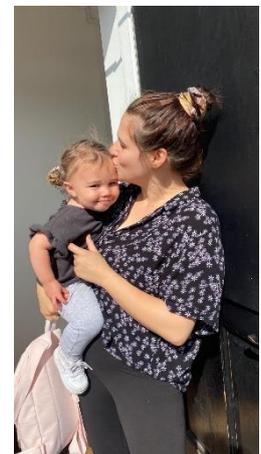
Dear Parents,

We are going to be changing our Christmas closure week **from 2021**, we will close early on Christmas Eve and reopen on 2nd January. This seems to be more beneficial to parents and their work schedules.

No Charli for one more week, she will return on 28th September ready to see her key children, as before if any of her key children's parents have any queries please speak to Katie or Helen.

Macmillan coffee morning is next week, don't forget to send your children in with any donations and give these to the staff, there will also be a link on the Facebook page to donate. The children in all rooms will be doing lots of baking and the older children and some staff will be judging the staff bake off!

We sadly said goodbye to Connie today, a massive, good luck to her in her new job and new home!



Kind Regards,

The Management Team

What's for lunch?



Week 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy
AM Snack	Pitta bread & humous Gluten	Fruit selection	Croissants Gluten, Dairy	Fruit selection	Fruit Loaf + butter Gluten
Lunch	Penne pasta bake Fruit Salad Gluten	Chicken Teriyaki and rice Yogurt Gluten, Dairy, sesame	Moroccan chicken and cous cous Fruit cake Gluten, dairy, Eggs	Shepherd's pie and mixed vegetables Melon pieces	Roast Turkey, roast potatoes and carrots Yogurt Dairy, Gluten
PM Snack	Fruit selection	Malt loaf Gluten, Dairy	Fruit selection	Fruit and cinnamon bagels Gluten, dairy	Fruit selection
Tea	Mixed sandwiches and salad Chocolate sponge Gluten, Raw tomatoes, Eggs	Chicken pittas and salad pieces Rainbow cookies Gluten, Dairy, Raw tomatoes, Eggs	Cheese and marmite scones and salad Yogurt Gluten, Dairy, Raw tomato	Pizza swirls Vanilla sponge Gluten, Dairy, Eggs	Ham wraps Mango and pineapple Gluten, Mango, Pineapple

What have we been up to in Baby Room...



The babies have taken an interest in the plants, this child explores the feel of the lavender in her hands. Practitioners encourage her to smell it and model how to do so. She puts her nose to it and tries to sniff.



The children have been interested in their reflection this week. Practitioners talk to children about their hair type, colour, and eye colour. They encourage children to find their body parts, this leads on to 'Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes'.



The babies created some autumnal pictures this week, they used some berries to create marks, practitioners narrate their play and movements introducing them to language or size and shape as well as colour.

What have we been up to in Toddler Room...



The children have loved the wizard role play resources, from this they decided to make potions in the garden. The children added bicarbonate of soda, food colouring, washing up liquid and basically anything they could get their hands on! Practitioners spoke about the consistency and the children poured and mixed!



We have added more office bits to our role play area this week, some of those being a keyboard and a mouse! This is encouraged the children to write, draw and create! The children are getting good at controlling their pencils and using scissors without much help.

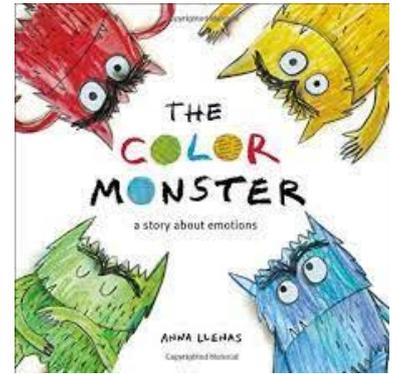


The children have been interested in dinosaurs this week; practitioners created them a dinosaur themed tuff tray which had a variety of textures to explore. They also stomped like dinosaurs and roar as loudly as they could!

What have we been up to in the Pre-School Room...



The children have been painting dinosaurs this week, they used both their fingers and paintbrushes to do this. They chose the colour of the paint and put the paint into the pots themselves. Some children needed a little reminder to pop on an apron and most of the children were able to put the aprons on themselves, if they struggled practitioners explained how to do so and helped where needed.



We have been reading The Colour Monster this week, the children have discussed their emotions and looked at the faces they make for their emotions in the mirror.

The children are learning to express their emotions with language and tell their peers and adults when they feel a certain way and why.



Matt and the children created a bug tuff tray, the children used the magnifying glasses to hunt for the bugs and leaves to put in the tray. They added mud and anything else they could find. When the tray was complete, they drew some bugs to display on our art gallery wall.



We found some old sticks that were collected at forest school the week before, the children wanted to make a campfire! When they had finished with their campfire the sticks were used to mark make in the sandpit, this child tried to write her name.



The Monkey Puzzle car wash was well underway this week, the children thought that the foam bricks we had looked like sponges so got on with cleaning the cars. They filled up their own bucket of water and found some soap to put in. They paid extra attention to the wheels and were incredibly pleased with their handywork!

