

Monkey Puzzle Ware

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Dates for your diary

Christmas Closure

Close at 4pm on Christmas Eve, first day back is 4th January.

Friday 19th November

Children in Need- wearing spots

Tuesday 14th December

PJ Day

Saturday 15th January

Reception place application deadline

Inset Days 2022

14th February

1st June

Dear Parents,

Children in Need is approaching so on 19th November we will be wearing spots to raise money for this excellent charity. Closer to the time we will send out a link to donate.

On Tuesday 14th December we are holding a PJ day to raise funds for specialist equipment for a local child who needs it.

Please can we ask that now the weather is getting wetter and colder that children have waterproof puddlesuits and wellies for the garden, we do have some spares at nursery but not enough for the number of children that need them.

Don't forget that any donated gifts for The Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal need to be in by the morning of 3rd December as Amy needs to drop them off. Thanks again to all parents who have donated so far.

Demi is in the middle of a communication and language course to help the setting gain communication friendly status, every month Demi has been rolling out the project to the team and passing down her knowledge, this month we spoke about quality interactions and allowing children adequate time to responds. We look at the following graphic and thought it may also be useful for parents too...



Kind regards,

The Management Team

What's for lunch?



Week	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	Scotch pancakes	Digestives and red pepper houmous	Banana loaf	Cheese and pineapple	Fruit and cinnamon bagel
Lunch	Fish fingers, boiled potatoes and spaghetti hoops Yogurt	Chilli mac and cheese Rainbow cookies	Chicken stroganoff Fruit salad	Mild fish curry with rice Yogurt	Chicken fajita pasta Lemon cupcakes
PM Snack	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit
Tea	Tuna and sweetcorn wraps with salad Banana cake	Mixed sandwiches with salad Yogurt	Sausage rolls with salad Angel Delight	Cheese and ham pittas with salad Mixed melon assortment	Pizza swirls with salad Yogurt

What have the babies been up to this week...

Next weeks' word is...

SPARKLY



The children love to pretend to be on the phone, practitioners mimic phone calls and model language for the babies. Sounds in play are also practised- "ring ring"!



Babies have been exploring some soil play this week, they dug in the soil to find some insects and used the moulds. The babies learned some texture words and made marks in the soil. Practitioners modelled language throughout and scooping using spade strengthens wrist and hand muscles ready for holding pens and pencils.



The babies created some poppy pictures this week with paint, although the children don't understand the symbolism of wearing poppies they will have seen them everywhere!

What have the over 2's been up to...



The children collected some Autumn leaves, they used these leaves to do some leaf rubbing pictures. The children spoke about the change of colour on the trees and why there were so many leaves on the ground!

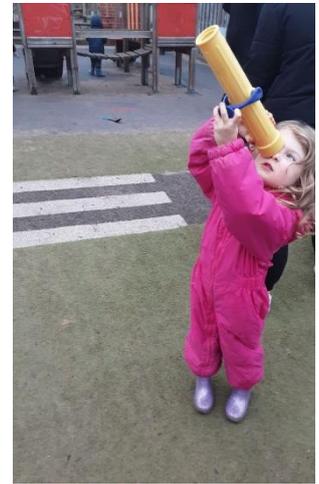


This child uses chalk and her gross motor skills to draw a large smiley face on the floor. Sometime paper just isn't big enough for the scale of drawing our children need.

She draws eyes, nose and ears and tells the practitioner what she has drawn when she is finished.



The children have loved painting this week, we encourage them to put on aprons to protect our clothes and then they are free to make their own choices, they choose colour, what they're going to paint with and what they are going to paint a picture if anything! This child is creating a spotty picture using a cork.



I SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE...



Our next cohort of school leavers are still enjoying their woodwork sessions. They are beginning to master the easier tools and are so proud of themselves when they achieve their own personal goals.



The children have been mark making in the garden this week, they are learning hold to hold writing equipment in the palmer grasp to make marks. As they progress they are able to draw lines and circles.

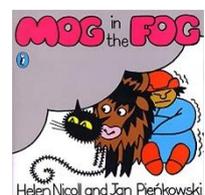
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Our favourite song this week has been...

HERE WE GO ROUND THE MULBERRY BUSH

Our favourite story this week has been...



Our Golden Rules

We listen to each other and our grown ups

We tidy up after ourselves when we finish playing

We keep our indoor toys indoors and our outdoor toys outdoors

We have a go ourselves before asking for help

We use our indoor feet and voices when playing indoors

We wear aprons when we are getting messy or playing in the water

We wear appropriate clothes for the weather when we play outside

We follow good safety practices

We are kind and gentle with each other

We look after our toys