

## Dear Families,



Welcome to our July Newsletter.

As the hot weather has arrived the team have been speaking to the children about how to stay safe in the sun. Candy floss our health and safety mascot has top tips on how to stay safe in the warmer weather, you can find a copy in the entrance area of the nursery, if you would like a copy to take home please let myself or Carly know. The team have been encouraging the children to drink lots of water and talking to them about staying hydrated and the importance of this.

We have been keeping a close eye on our tadpoles and they have finally grown some legs! They are now at the froglet stage and darting around the pond quicker than ever! Hopefully we will have some tiny frogs jumping about very soon.

Lot's of the children will be moving rooms in September and the letters regarding this information are going out within the next few weeks. Each family will be introduced to their child's new key person so please take this opportunity to ask any questions you may have about your child moving rooms.

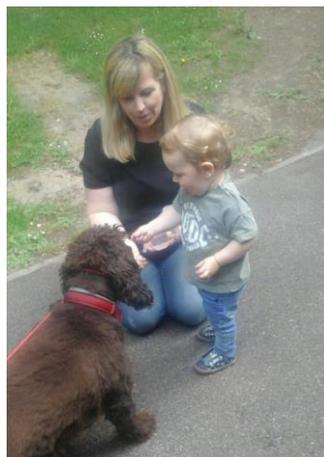
Thank you to those who share their home experiences on tapestry please keep doing so. As holiday season is upon us it's great for us to see all the wonderful things your children get up to whilst off on their summer adventures.

I wonder what next month will bring to us all here at Yellow Dot Chilworth? I look forward to writing about it next month.

Best wishes

*Charlotte Tubbs*

Nursery Manager



## Comings and goings

Vicky's last day as Deputy was this week so Carly has stepped into her shoes taking on the Deputy Role. Vicky is staying with us and becoming part of our bank team supporting us on the days she is available working in the rooms with the children.

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July Lizzie our lead practitioner will be managing in my absence as Carly is on training. Lizzie is familiar with the nursery and children, I'm sure most of you would have met her before.

## Working with you

Thank you all our families who got involved with our pet themed provocations we have lots of visitors at the nursery from dogs and cats to a tortoise and even a pony! It's great to see what home life is like for the children and who else is part of the family

## Dates for your Diary

- **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August**  
Kindergarten Graduation

## Babies

Babies have been exploring sounds, starting with animals sounds following on from having the ducks and our pet week. The sounds then moved on to environmental sounds where the children are encouraged to listen to various sounds that can be heard from the garden for example traffic sounds. The children will be working on some independent skills getting ready for the toddler room.



## Toddlers

Toddlers have been getting ready for their next adventure which will begin in the transition room in September by working on various independent skills. This has included serving their own lunch and pouring their drinks at meal times. They have been practicing putting their shoes on and taking ownership of their self care needs. Turn taking has been promoted through small group games and the children have been learning the importance of turn taking. A camping provocation has been popular with the children and lot's of role play around this has been evident both indoors and out.



## Transition

Transition have been focusing on self care needs and becoming more independent with toileting and cleaning themselves after meal times. The children have been working on their fine motor skills looking at their tripod grip when holding a pencil and practicing holding scissors and their cutting skills. Sound bingo has been a popular choice where the children are encouraged to take turns whilst identifying the sounds they hear on the CD.



## Kindergarten

School readiness has been the main focus for our children in the Kindergarten room. The children have been playing games to work on their independent skills and practicing taking their shoes and socks off and putting them back on. Phonics has been a focus with some of the children exploring three letter words and blending the sounds together. Turn taking games such as skittles and bowles in the garden has been a popular choice.

