

Dear Families,

Following last month's Newsletter we have seen a big interest in our Home Learning Bags from lots of our families. The Team are working on some new ideas to keep them interesting and relevant to the children's next steps and interests. Our latest bags include a cooking bag with a few recipes to try at home and one that supports toilet training.

The children have been making the most of the warmer weather to explore water play outside. For our younger children this has been by using different sized containers to fill and pour as well as adding in animals that you find in the water. The children in Transition have been looking at how water moves and how they can place different lengths of guttering at different heights to create waterfalls.

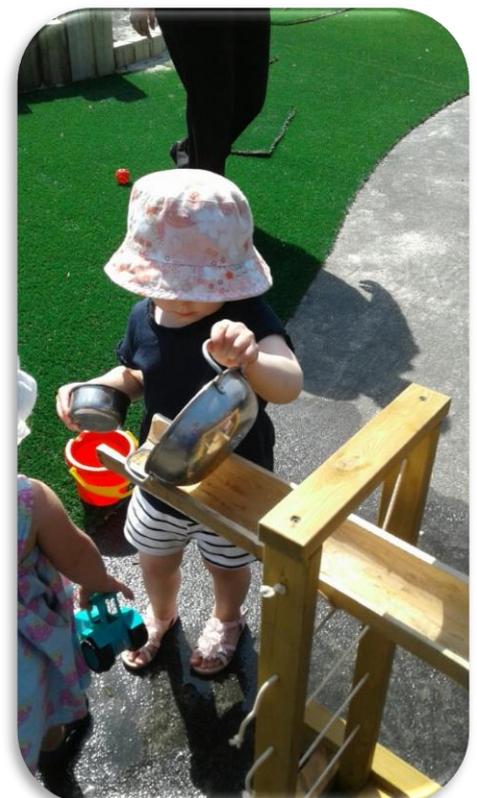
The whole Nursery have been involved in planting flowers, herbs, fruit and vegetables in our garden. The children have taken on the role of watering the plants each day first thing in the morning and then again before we all go home at the end of the day. The children have been keeping watch to see the flower buds open and to look for signs that the tomatoes are growing.

This month our trips on the bus have taken us to explore Romsey's memorial park. The children were very excited to feed the ducks and watch them as they swam up and down the stream!

We would like to invite you to join us for our Cream Tea on Thursday 3rd August from 4-5.45pm.

Kind regards

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Nursery Manager



Babies

This month the Babies have been busy exploring lots of different Heuristic play. This started with the bangles and mug trees and the Team then enhanced this interest by adding different chains and necklaces. They noticed the Babies were showing a particular interest in the books with flaps and the insert puzzles so gathered together some different boxes, containers and drawers for the Babies to open and close. The Babies then hid different objects and spent time trying to find them again! Over the next month the Team will continue to watch what the children are interested in exploring and find further opportunities for them to do so.



Toddlers

What a busy month we've had with the Toddler children as they have been exploring their sense of taste in a variety of ways. This has seen the children taking trips to the shops to buy the ingredients they needed to cook some delicious bread. The children enjoyed this so much they went on to bake yummy biscuits to share at home as well as make their own ice lollies to help them cool down in all the lovely sunny weather. After enjoying all this food the children then helped to make their own cloudy lemonade to drink with their snack. Next month they will continue to explore baking and making.



Transition

Transition children have been spending time practicing their fine motor skills this month. The children have been making their own play dough and using natural materials to make their own creations. The children have loved using the pipettes in water outside and developed this skill further with colour mixing using coloured water. The children and Team have been looking at healthy foods following from their planting and growing in our vegetable patches. They have been learning how to chop and prepare fruit, even making their own yummy fruit salad for snack. Over the Summer we will continue to look after our produce and watch it grow.

