

Dear Families,



Red Nose Day

Thank you for all your amazing help with our fundraising for Red Nose Day and the Bright Horizons foundation. We raised a massive £186.60. We could not of done it without you so thank you so much. There are some pictures too so you can see all the fun we were up to and of course the cake sale was the most popular!



The children had an amazing time doing their observational drawings of flowers this month and even representing them on the Mother's Day cards they made. I hope you liked their creations.

This month we have Parent Consultations where you can speak to your child's Key Person about their progress. There is a poster on each Room door with time slots. If you are unable to make that day, then please speak to the Room Manager to arrange a different date.



This month we are lucky to have Julie joining us as our new Cook and Eva who has been cooking for us, is heading to our Chilworth Nursery to help there.

There are some extra sessions available in all rooms as a one off, or long term. If you are interested please drop us an email or speak to me or Sammy.



Best wishes

Becky McFarlane

Nursery Manager



Dates for your Diary

- **Bank Holidays, Nursery closed**
Friday 19th April and
Monday 22nd April
- **Parent Consultations**
Tuesday 30th April
- **Kindergarten Graduation**
9th August at 2:30pm

Babies

Babies have been looking at Nursery Rhymes to help the babies with their communication and language. We had a picnic tea with our teddy bears for "Round the Garden" and rolled vehicles through paint for 'Wheels on the bus'. To celebrate Pancake Day, the children decorated their very own versions of pancakes using chubby markers. We have now started to introduce the Babies to the season of Spring! We will be taking a closer look at seasonal flowers and going on trips to find signs of Spring.



Toddlers

Toddlers are well under way with their animals provocation. We have spent several days looking at dinosaurs, stomping through gloop, and searching for their footprints in paint. We spent a week looking at zoo animals with the focus of the book "Dear Zoo". There has been a focus on language with single words by naming the animals, and joining 2 words together such as yellow duck. We had lots of fun dressing up as animals from the book too! We examined the print of different animals and painted some of our own using stencil rollers. Pancake Day was also thoroughly enjoyed by us all, as we tasted pancakes with different toppings. We all came to Nursery in our pyjamas for Comic Relief, and took part in a sponsored walk around North Baddesley, and a family disco! Next we will look at Spring animals, and explore the concept of big and little. This includes hatching eggs and baby animals.



Transition

This month Transition have continued to acquire new skills which has included turn taking, matching games, looking at sequencing and patterns, using a hammer and threading beads on laces. This has all been focused around our provocation of shapes and colours which also influenced our theme for World Book Day, Elmer the patchwork elephant. We have started to introduce Spring flowers into the room and look into observational artwork. The interesting weather outside led our provocation on to discovering the colours of rainbows and experimenting with colour mixing. This year's Red Nose Day focused on our physical skills as the children climbed over different sized and shaped obstacles.



Kindergarten

Kindergarten have started their Spring provocation by looking at the different types of weather and signs outside. We have hunted for and compared flowers in the garden and planted our own, talking about their different parts and what they need to grow and stay healthy. We have also listened to and started to learn a range of songs all about Springtime. The children soon developed an interest in birds following their observations and have been keen bird spotters and nest builders. Pancake Day was also thoroughly enjoyed by all as we made our own and added some yummy toppings. Next we will look for and explore new life, including hatching eggs and baby animals. We will also have a go at planting. I wonder what we will grow?

