May Newsletter 2025

The children have been spending more time exploring the garden with lots of water sensory play. Please ensure that you have put sunscreen on your child every morning before attending nursery. As the weather gets warmer please make sure that you have packed a bottle/cup for your child.

Activities this month

- The children will be learning about space this month, talking about the stars, moons and rockets.
- The children will be looking under the sea and learning about sea creatures and what lives under the sea.
- Water sensory play with different colours and textures.

Nursery Fee's

You may have noticed there has been an increase in nursery fee's this month - this was on the December newsletter. The increase was suppose to start in April but we had a blip in our system so the old prices went out. The new prices will be in effect from May 2025.

> Please ensure all children's bags, hats, water bottle's and wipes are all labeled.

Pricing increase from May.

Morning session- 8am-1pm- 40.79 Afternoon session- 1pm- 6pm- £40.79 Full day 8am-6pm- £63.95 Full week 8am-6pm - £264.60

Important dates this month. Tuesday 13th May - Nursery Closed Monday 26th May - Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed. Monday 26th - Friday 30th Half Term

Now that the weather is getting sunnier and warmer the children will need sunscreen, we will re-apply in the afternoon.Please ensure that you have signed the consent form for us to use this sunscreen.

How to prepare your child for starting school

Talk to your child about starting school

Bring the topic of starting school into daily conversations. You could tell them about your school days and show them pictures of you on your first day or with your school friends. It's important to be positive about it around your child so they feel more relaxed about their new adventure.

Feelings tree

By having a feelings tree, you'll be encouraging your child to express themselves. Whether they feel happy, sad / frustrated, a feelings tree might help your child tell you how they feel. To make a feelings tree all you'll need is some card, pieces of paper and some pens. If you want to make your tree realistic, you could add some leaves from the garden! Simply cut out the shape of a tree and ask your little one if they would like to draw a face representing an emotion on a small piece of paper. Then stick these pieces of paper to the tree and start to talk about the emotion and when they might've felt it.

Read books together about school

Visit your local library and ask the librarians if they have any suggestions for you. Swap out one of your bedtime books for one that talks about starting school, whether your little one is excited or nervous to start school, reading fun stories about school adventures might help them get used to the idea.

Practise self-care

Encourage your little one to do things like getting dressed themselves, blowing their own nose and going to the toilet. This gives them plenty of time to practise these skills and remember to praise all their efforts, no matter how small, as this will build their confidence. If your child is not fully confident in going to the toilet alone or getting dressed, don't worry! Take some time to practise self-care with your little one until they become more confident. There's no rush and every child progresses at their own speed.

Uniform

Allowing children to try on their uniform before school starts helps them get use to the feel and look of the clothes, getting them used to their school clothes in a comfortable and familiar environment can ease their worries

Look at the school's website.

Some schools have great websites with photos and video's of the school. This can help the child know what it looks like inside the school and what to expect. There might also be some pictures available so the children can see who the staff are.

Countdown Calendar.

We are using a countdown calendar in green bubble which we cross off everyday. This helps children understand how many days they have left before they start school.

Using Visual Timetables for school

Provide a structured and visual way to communicate, understand information, and manage routines.

