

City Day Nursery Spring/Summer Newsletter

Random Acts Of Kindness Day

With Random Acts of Kindness on the 17th of February, all the children got involved at City Day Nursery by making individual hearts with loving quotes to hand out to the members of the public to put a smile of their faces.

Some of the Over 2's children ventured out to the City Centre to spread the kindness around Swansea. Below are some of the heart warming pictures from their day out. There was also a loving moment with a busker in town, lost for words after Poppy gave him a heart was captured on video and has had nearly 4,500 views on Facebook!



Important Dates

- 10th April—Sibling Day
- 13th April—Parents Evening
- 14th April—International moment of laughter day
- 16th April—Easter Sunday
- 21st April—Queens Birthday
- 24th April—Poem in your pocket day
- 5th May—Space Day
- 8th –12th May—Sun awareness week
- 9th May—Europe Day
- 24th May—Scavenger hunt day
- 31st May—Macaroon Day
- 6th June—Sweden's National Day
- 8th June—World Oceans Day
- 15th June—Nature photography day
- 17th June—World juggling day
- 19th June—Father Day



Staff News

Stephanie Lewis will be getting married on the 3rd of June in Cyprus. And will be returning to us as Mrs. Booth. While she is off on her wedding venture for 14 days **Victoria Richards** will be taking on her new role as Deputy Manager and will be covering the office while Stephanie is away.

Dawn Scarrott our cook/school runner will be leaving us on April 7th to pursue another career path. I am sure you will all join us in wishing her the best of luck for the future.

Bertie the Bear

Children in the Over 2's section have a new friend called Bertie the bear. He is very cuddly and friendly. He loves going on adventures, visiting new places and meeting new people. He has been asking children every week to take him home and to draw or take a picture of what they have been up to and to write about the adventures they have been on together.

Eabha Jenkins took him home on St Patrick's Day as she is half Irish and she wanted to show him what she did to celebrate with her family. They sang some Irish songs, she showed him some shamrock and read some Irish stories before bed. Eabha enjoyed sharing their time together with her friends.

We can not wait to see what other adventures he will be going on in the next few months!



World Book Day

World Book Day is a celebration! It's a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and (most importantly) it's a celebration of reading! This is the 20th year there's been a World Book Day, and on 2nd March 2017 children at City Day Nursery came together to appreciate reading. Very loudly and very happily.

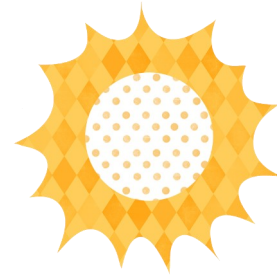
The main aim of World Book Day in the UK and Ireland is to encourage children to explore the pleasures of books and reading by providing them with the opportunity to have a book of their own and that is exactly what we did! All the staff at City dressed up as characters from the Wizard of Oz and the children at City came to nursery as their favourite story characters! We all had lots of fun!



Summer is coming!

With Summer soon approaching, we would like to remind parents to bring in appropriate clothing for the children when attending nursery.

We provide sun cream and hats for when they are venturing outside but if there is anything else you would like your child wearing while in the sunshine please let us know and bring these with you during the summer months.



We provide sun hats and sun cream

Take a walk in the park day

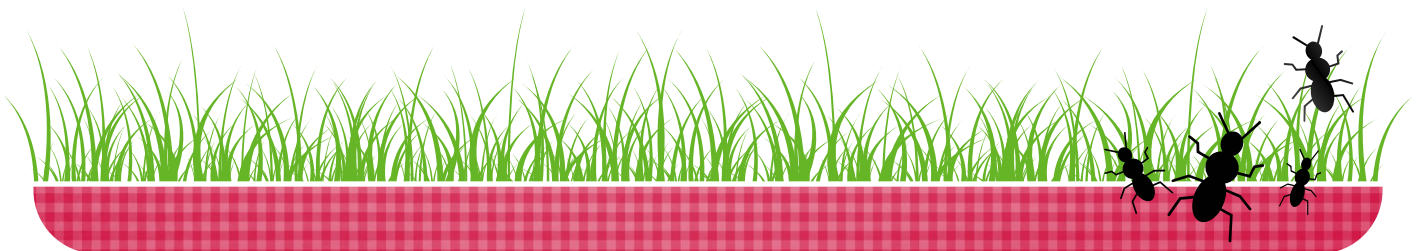
On the 30th March 2017 it is take a walk in the park day. And that is exactly what the children at City Day Nursery are going to do. The children will be taking a little adventure to a local park on Thursday! Keep an eye out on our Facebook page to find out what they did on the day.

This is a chance for the children to connect with the natural world; first hand experiences of life and growth; endless opportunities for creativity and imagination and improved fitness and physical development. The countless benefits of outdoor play have a real positive impact on children's lives.

Some of the benefits from outdoor play...

There are clear health benefits associated with outdoor learning. Children need daily exercise, vigorous enough to get them out of breath with their hearts and lungs working hard. NHS guidelines say that children under 5 need three hours exercise a day and that it should be with a mixture of bone strengthening, muscle building and cardiovascular.

Exercise also improves children's emotional health, allowing for relaxation and calmness and a heightened sense of well being (Armstrong 1996). Exercise is clearly an essential component of children's physical and emotional development.



News From the Under 2's

This week the children in the under 2's section have been learning to mark make!

As adults, writing comes easily and without much thought, for children however, writing is a whole new skill requiring time, practice and encouragement. The skill of writing all starts with mark making.

It is easy to dismiss the different lines and circles children create on paper as mere 'scribbles', but actually, children are mark making, the first step towards writing...

As well as enabling a child to learn to write, making marks can benefit a child physically, and also help to develop their imagination and creative skills.

Mark making opens the door for children to express themselves in a completely new way, offering them the opportunity to express their feelings and thoughts without relying solely upon verbal communication.

The under 2's have been learning through mark playing throughout the week. Whether is be with paint, flour, shaving foam... All the babies have been making all sorts of marks on any surface that they could find! Even on their faces! They have had lots of fun!



News From the Over 2's

Trip to the Library!

The Over 2's section are learning all about Fairytales! The staff asked all the children what their favorite fairytale was and asked Jake and Lily to go on a trip to the Library to find them.

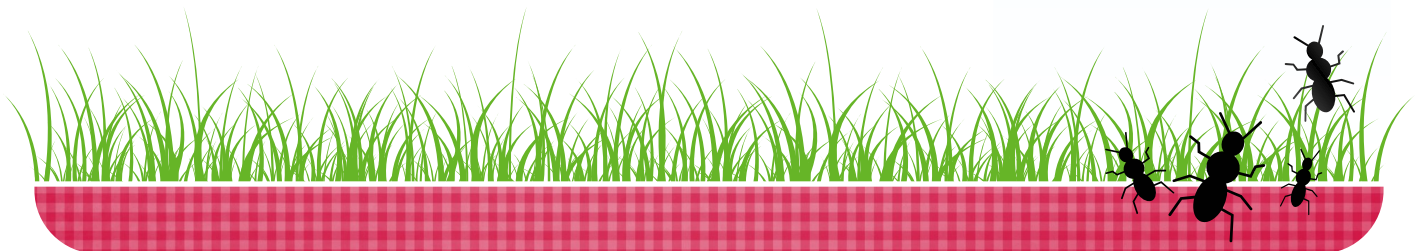
Jake couldn't believe how many books he could see and tried to count them. Lily was very excited to go back to nursery and show her friends all the books they had found.

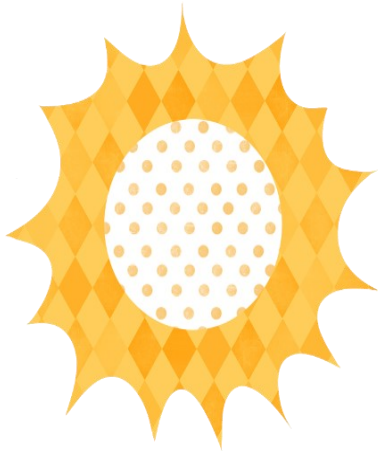


Parent Notice

We will be holding a parents evening for both Under and Over 2's on **13th April 2017** between **5.30pm—7pm.**

If you would like to attend, please speak to a member of staff to make an appointment.





Top 10 Nurseries in the UK

We are very proud to announce that we have been recognised by our customers as one of the Top 10 nursery groups in the UK. We are also the only one in Wales!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to write a review for us. It was lovely reading all of your feedback.



Quaker House

Quaker House have kindly asked us to be involved in their project. They are beginning to get their front garden renovated and the rest of the community involved.

They have asked the children to have their own garden bed where they can grow their own fruit and vegetables. We are also going to have a sunflower growing competition.

How exciting!

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