

# WELCOME TO SUM-



## Special Dates

Welcome to the Summer term. It is scary to think how fast these months are passing us by. What wonderful weather we have been enjoying. The children have been making the most of their wonderful outdoor facilities and have had a wonderful few months.

We have had a few new members of staff within the last few weeks therefore you may have noticed a few new friendly faces. We would like to wish a very warm welcome to Sadie (floater), Kate (toddlers), Leah (babies) and Ffion (floater). If we could ask for your understanding that these members of staff are still getting to know our parent's, so they may need clarification when you are arriving to collect your child for security reasons.

## This term's activities

### Pre-school and Toddlers...

This term the Toddlers and Pre-school's topic has been 'On the move'. They have looked at vehicles, animals, balls and also themselves and how they move. They have done a freeze dance painting learning about the marks that their feet make in paint. They have enjoyed riding the outside bikes in paint too. We made a guttering course to talk about and measure distance by dropping balls down the pipes.

### Babies...

This term babies have been enjoying the sun and all that comes with it. They have been splashing in the water and enjoying bubble play as well as trying to build our own sandcastles. They have loved taking all of their activities outside too!

## Royal Wedding

We had such an amazing time celebrating the royal wedding. We held our very own wedding with our own bride and groom. The children and staff dressed up in some beautiful costumes and we all enjoyed the service. After the service we had a lovely royal wedding dinner and specially decorated cake. Thank you to the queen for making it. (Bev)

Summer holidays - 23<sup>rd</sup> July – 3<sup>rd</sup> September

(We will be running a holiday club during this time so please get in touch if you would like your child to attend)

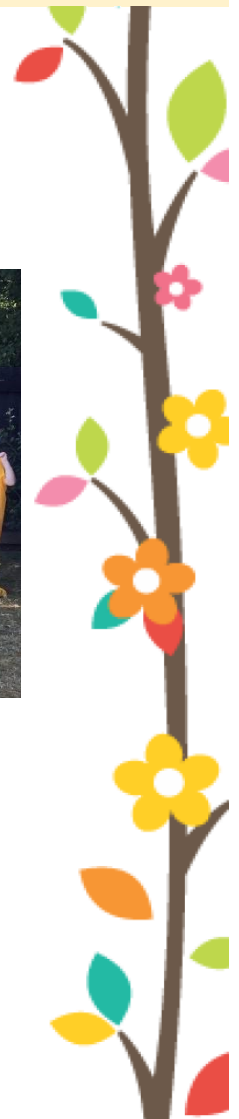
Bank holiday – 27<sup>th</sup> August

(Our opening hours for the bank holidays will be 8-5. If your child is booked in that day we will be attending Singletons 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary which will be between 11 and 3. Please ask a member of staff for further details.

October half term: 29<sup>th</sup> October – 2<sup>nd</sup> November

## Sports Day

We had our very own sports day at nursery in the beautiful sunshine. We had a number of different races including the egg and spoon race, sack races and jumping through the hula hoops. It was so much fun!



## Teddy bears picnic

It was national picnic week in June so we celebrated with our very own teddy bears picnic. We each brought in our favourite teddies and we had a selection of lovely picnic

## Sun Safe

Please can you ensure your child has a hat available in their bag every day as we are spending a lot of our time outside and want to stay safe.



## Nursery News

We are now one of the top 20 recommended nurseries in Wales. What a fantastic achievement. We would like to thank all of our parents for filling in their parent questionnaires which has been a great contribution to the award.

We would like to announce that we have just been awarded our gold standard healthy snack award. We have encouraged the children to be more independent during mealtimes by serving themselves and making healthy choices.

We have a few spaces left for our school run service, which will start back up in September. If you would be interested in this service, please ask a member of staff

## Nursing home

Some of our Pre-school took a trip to the local nursing home. We wanted to build relationships with our local community as well as giving the elderly an opportunity to engage with the younger children, to bring them some happiness and enjoyment. The Pre-schoolers took a parachute and sang some nursery rhymes with them, as well as making some wonderful arts and crafts. We will be continuing these visits for the foreseeable future on selected dates.

We will be planning future trips throughout the summer holidays. Letters and dates are to follow.

## The Summer

Through the summer, the Toddlers and Pre-School will be enjoying a short topic, which focusses on learning through our senses, discovering sand/water and different tastes and smells. They will be following that with "All creatures great and small". We are very excited for this new topic.

## Try this at home...



Top your toasties with a small amount of tomato puree then chose your favourite refreshing vegetables, once cooked, spread on top of your tomato puree, add a little meat and add some cheese too if you wish. Put under the grill for a few seconds and enjoy

