

DVLA Day Nursery

Summer 2021 Newsletter





4th August 2021 National playday—"Summer of play"

30th August 2021 Nursery closed for August bank holiday.

13th September 2021 Roald Dahl story day.

25th October 2021 Play scheme week.

31st October 2021 Halloween!

Congratulations!

We would like to send a huge congratulations to Maddison Sullivan on passing her driving test.



Staffing News

Welcome to:

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following members of staff that have joined us within the nursery: Alisha Reece—Nursery Nurse Reece Williams—Nursery Nurse Hayley Llewelyn—Nursery Nurse Mollie Hurlow—Student Hannah Lewis—Deputy Manager We are very excited to have the staff join the nursery team and begin their adventures with us.

Farewell to:

We would like to wish the following staff all the best as they embark on their new adventures — Katy Lloyd, Rosie Shute, Megan Lloyd and Abby Chiplin.

Changes within the nursery

Catrin Williams has stepped down from her position as Toddler room supervisor. Catrin will continue to work within the nursery as a nursery nurse and will be based in our Pre-School section.

Jessica Colwill will be taking over the position as Toddler room supervisor.

Staff development

All staff are continuously contributing to their professional development by attending internal courses to refresh or gain new qualifications. The following staff have completed their Level 3 Transition to Playworks Qualifications: Stacey Calitz Chloe Griffiths Rachel Kind—Parton Rachel Kind Parton has also completed her Level 5.

Congratulations all on your hard work!

General reminders

Please can we remind you that nappies and wipes are to be brought in to every nursery session. We do not supply these and we do not have spares within the nursey.

Thank You.







News from the sections....

<u>under 2's</u>

The under 2's have enjoyed experiencing all of the new ways to play through Alice Adventures. We have played using real everyday items like spoons and pots and pans. Over the course of the next few months we will be creating new ways to play by fo-

cusing on "The smartest Giant in town" and "A Squash and a Squeeze." Using Alice Adventures, we will be creating tuff spots and activities surrounding these stories.



Pre-school & Playscheme

In Pre-School Luna the bunny has arrived to spend some time with us. She has been on lots of little adventures and we have been showing her what we get up to in Pre-School. She is also helping us learn along the way by showing us some new ideas of what we can do. We have had lots of fun learning how to weave in the garden and dancing and making dens in the garden!

The children in Play-scheme have enjoyed their time when they attend the nursery. They enjoy the outdoor area, exploring new things and soaking up all of the sunshine.

This summer Play-scheme is all about the world around us. The children will experience different foods eaten in different cultures, learning languages and what different countries enjoy doing.



Toddlers

The toddler children have been spending so much time outside in the garden in the last few weeks. We are having a blast with all of the water play and splashing about with our friends. It really helps us to stay cool.

We are definitely making the most of all of the fresh air. We have so much to explore in the Toddler garden from the bug hunting to sand play and even learning to do our numbers and letters using chalks and paint! Our Animal party day was a blast. We loved to see how much effort everyone put into it and the children had so much fun.



Required 'odds and ends'

As a nursery, we love to reuse items that might not be wanted by others. Our approach within the nursery means that we encourage children to use familiar resources in play to stimulate creativity and imaginations.

- Utensils
- Pots and pans
- Bowls or large mixing bowls.

<u>Other news</u>

We have recently had our CIW inspection which went very well and we had a little party to celebrate our success.

We are very proud of all of the efforts from staff members on a daily basis to provide excellent care for the children.

The inspection report can be read online as soon as it becomes available.



Covid-19

As a reminder of our safety measures:

- * We are continuing to monitor symptoms and still taking temperatures of children, staff members and visitors on arrival to nursery.
- * Only one parent to drop off/collect from the nursery.
- * All parents are kindly asked to wear a mask during this time.

If your child or anyone in your household/bubble are displaying symptoms of Covid-19 you will need to ensure that a PCR test is done as per government guidelines, and the household will need to isolate until a negative test result is returned. We will allow access to the nursery following a negative test and a screen shot sent to us on the Famly app . We will not accept children to attend nursery after a negative lateral flow test as per government guidelines. Please note that children should be 48 hours clear of a temperature following a Covid test.

Nursey to home ideas

With the warm weather now upon us it is nice to get outside and enjoy the sun. Here are some activities that will help keep the children and you cool during the hot spells.

These little ice bowls are an easy and simple way to help children explore. You can dig, melt or place them in the sun to explore a range of different senses while trying to free animals or objects hidden.





Why not cool down with these delicious and healthy ice lollies. Get the children involved in making them and picking which fruit is their favourite. Simply pop them into the freezer and enjoy! Perfect summer treat.

General reminders

It is really important to us that children are provided with the opportunities for outdoor play and sensory experiences throughout the nursery day. As we are enjoying outdoor play on a daily basis, especially water play, please can we ask that children are wearing suitable clothing and foot wear and have plenty of spare clothes that are weather appropriate.

With all of the glorious sun we have been having please can you ensure a hat is supplied for your child and their name is clearly labelled. We do supply suncream at the nursery, however, if you would prefer to use your own please label and place in your child's bag.

Wherever possible, please avoid bringing toys into the nursery setting. This is due to infection control measures but also we cannot take responsibility for lost items.



