

Summer Newsletter

Welcome

Welcome to our Summer news. We would like to say a big hello to all our new nursery children and their families and hope that you have settled into nursery life. We are especially looking forward to exploring all the different play experiences and learning on offer throughout the summer months that will help your children's imaginations grow!

Staff News! & Shout outs!

We would like to welcome Ciara to our Princess of Wales Team!

Ciara is a qualified member of staff who holds a Level 3 CCLD qualification and here's a little about Ciara:

"I had a little career change back 3 years ago where I decided to work in a salon as a makeup artist up which I loved. When I saw that the nursery was recruiting, I realised how much I love childcare too. Since joining the team, I remember the fun and joy both the job and children give me". We are sure you will all soon get to know Ciara and her fun and bubbly personality.

Ciara will work in all sections of the nursery; she has experience in working with babies, toddlers and pre-school so be assured your little ones are in very safe and loving hands.



We would like to say a huge congratulations to Ashlee and her partner!

We can now happily share with you all that they are due to welcome a baby boy into their family. Ashlee will be leaving us towards the end of the year for her well-earned maternity leave..

We can't wait to meet your little bundle of joy!



Important Dates for your diary

July

-**Monday 3rd**- Sports Day, please wear sports kit/comfortable clothing and trainers to nursery.

-**Monday 10th**- Don't step on a Bee Day, optional to wear yellow. We will be learning all about Bees.

-**Thursday 20th**- Toddler and Preschool Folly Farm Trip.

-**Monday 24th**- School Holidays begin.

-**Friday 28th**- International Tiger Day.

August

-**Tuesday 1st**- International Pirate Day, Optional to wear Pirate fancy dress.

-**Wednesday 16th**- National tell a joke day

-**Friday 25th**- International Dog Day, we welcome children to bring in photographs of their dogs to talk about at circle time.

Parents Notice

We have had some glorious sunshine over the last few weeks, but we have not quite settled into the summer weather so please remember to dress your children in appropriate clothing for the weather conditions daily. The children use the outdoors's regularly so can we ask parents to be prepared with the changing weather.

If you would like your child to use their own sun cream, please make sure you put it in their bags daily and clearly label with your child's name.



Tips for Keepin your child

Safe this summer

- Seek shade when necessary (when UV levels are high)
- Wear a hat that shades the face, scalp, ears and neck.
- Drink plenty.
- Use SPF sunscreen with 5 UVA stars, apply regularly following manufactures instructions.

Write a review

We would love to hear your feedback on the nursery and the service we provide.

We have made writing a review easier for parents by supplying you with the link below.

https://www.daynurseries.co.uk/review_submit/65432129311/rcsid/1012

Thank you for your time in completing a review,, Diolch!

What we have enjoyed in Nusery!

We have been focusing on our emotional wellbeing and feelings in our safe nursery environment. We have supported our children by providing lots of fun activities that focus on our emotions and how they make us feel! In play we want our children to feel at ease and be spontaneous...

We jumped in emotion puddles with our wellies, choosing the red puddle if we were feeling sad and the yellow puddle if we were feeling happy. We had so much fun making the colours splash that by the end we were all in the yellow puddle with big smiles!

After using a lot of energy splashing in our puddles, we calmed down with some yoga. Did you know that yoga helps us manage our emotions, boosts our self-esteem and enhances our concentration and memory! I'm sure you can see from the pictures that we all tried very hard to do the poses, we really enjoy yoga and this forms part of our daily routines.

In the baby room we enjoy baby massage whilst listening to calming music! We love rolling the massage tools on our arms, legs and tummy, it feels tickly and relaxing. Baby massage has lots of benefits like helping us to develop it stimulates physically, mentally, and emotionally and helps our brains to function! It also helps our muscles develop and can be helpful with digestion!

Pre-school enjoy a walk in the sunshine to the hospital memorial garden where we see lots of flowers. Walking in the fresh air improves our mood and can improve balance, posture, flexibility, and coordination. It is very good for our physical and mental health and Kasey recently went on a Manager wellbeing walk to the Four waterfalls in Brecon.

"Our greatest natural resource is the minds of our

Children."

-Walt Disney



Summer Wish list

This Summer we are spending lots of time outdoors as well as indoors! So, we are looking for the following if you can help.

- old pots, pans, or metal utensils for baking for our children to use in our mud kitchen outside.
- Tubs/tins with lids for our home corner.
- Adult Clothing, hats, bags, shoes, and bracelets for our dressing up area, Cultural clothing and accessories welcomed to embrace the cultures of our families.
- Old and broken phones, laptops, keyboards, and electricals.
- Old and broken self-care appliances e.g., Hair dryer, straighteners, curlers, empty makeup pallets, empty nail varnish pots

Try making this at home

These are SO good, gorgeous, completely **vegan** & pretty easy to make.



Striped Strawberries & Cream Popsicles (**Vegan**)

Strawberry Stripes: Blend together ten strawberries (roughly two cups, uncut), one cup of water, & six drops of sweetener together.

Cream Stripe: Whisk together one can of coconut milk (room temperature or cold; it doesn't matter) & 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract.

Directions:

-Pour strawberry mixture in each mold up to about 1/3 of the mold. This should leave about half of the strawberry mixture for later. Freeze for about 45 minutes to an hour.

-Take out of the freezer & work quickly to add the coconut stripe. I recommend spooning the mixture into the mold to help keep the stripes intact. Remain calm: if the stripes get messed up, the popsicles still taste delicious. ;) Freeze for another half an hour or so until cold & stiff (they should *not* be frozen all the way through).

-You will have leftover coconut cream, but it can't be helped (see below for ideas of what to do with it...).

-Carefully pour in the final layer of strawberry. Again, use a spoon for accuracy if you'd like.

-Insert popsicle sticks & freeze through completely (I recommend overnight, but you can probably cheat & take them out earlier than that.)

Parent News & Activities!



Margam Country Park

It's a bugs Life- 24th July 2023, 11am

Family fun day with paw patrol and Paddington bear- 23rd July, 10am

Kidzfun- create your own pottery- 25th July, 11am

Pop up stories, Jack & the beanstalk- 27th July, 11am

(All information and more events available on the Margam park website)

**PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1)
DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023**
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ASDA Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.	MORRISONS Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.
TESCO Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023	GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants
SAINSBURYS CAFES Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.	PRETO Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms
BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!	BILLS 2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023
THE REAL GREEK Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult	BELLA ITALIA Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.
TABLE TABLE Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!	WHITBREAD INNS Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased
TRAVELODGE Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free	SA BRAINS PUBS Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays
HUNGRY HORSE Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast	FUTURE INNS Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays
PREMIER INN Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free	PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm
SIZZLING PUBS Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.	YO! SUSHI From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend
IKEA Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am	TO BE CONFIRMED... M&S and Farmhouse Inns

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Summer
Holidays
start on
the 24th
July-1st
September



We are in the process of creating a new Autumn menu!

We would appreciate parent suggestions. Please feel free to give us some ideas of meals you would like to see on our menu this Autumn.

Email your ideas across to:

pow@schoolhouse-daycare.co.uk



Halo leisure- Bridgend

Fun Time swim- 24th July-1st September, Monday-Friday 1pm-2pm, Any age (advance booking advised via app, online or call)

Family Time swim- 24th July-1st September, Monday, Thursday, and Friday, 2pm-3pm, Any age (advance booking advised via app, online or call)

Halo leisure- Maesteg sport centre

Bounce & Play- 27th July-31st August, Monday-Friday, 9:30am-10:30am, up to 7 years (book via app, online, call or walk in)

JumpINGym- 24th July-1st September, Monday-Friday, 9:30am-10:30am, 10:30am-11:30am, 11:30am-12:30pm 12:30pm-1:30pm, 1:30pm-2:30pm, 2:30pm-3:30pm, 0-36 months years (book via app, online, call or walk in)