

Glangwili Day Nursery

Summer Newsletter

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Water and Sand Play



Water play promotes cognitive development in little ones. It is something that they can manipulate in many different ways. It helps them make sense of their world.

They can learn about things relating to floating and sinking and about getting wet. They can have lots of fun from pouring from one container into another to splashing about in the water. They also start to learn concepts like empty and full and heavy and light.

Physical skills are also developed while playing with water. It takes a lot of concentration when pouring the water into different containers and hand-eye co-ordination comes into its own here too.

Playing in the sand can be great fun for the children. They have lots of opportunity to manipulate the sand, from building a sandcastle to burying toys in the sand. It gives children endless fun and learning. Sand play is particularly beneficial for developing a sense of textures.



Allowing children to play in the sand helps them to develop fine motor skills the same as those necessary to use a small shovel, pull a truck, and build a sand castle. Writing words in the sand offers a chance to develop language skills.

Playing in both the water and sand can help children develop social skills like communicating, problem solving and sharing.

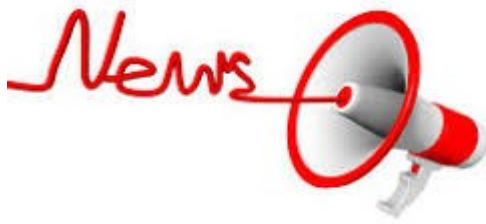


Did you know:

In the nursery every time a child plays with the water they have an apron that they wear to keep them nice and dry.



News from our different sections



Children and staff have all been very busy over the past few months!

Here is what our sections have to say:



In the **under 2's** the children have been experiencing different activities that relate to the theme of colours. We have looked at different colour pom poms and built towers using different colour blocks. During the hot weather the children enjoyed playing in the water. They had sharks in the water and lots of containers to fill. They especially enjoyed splashing around in the bath to keep themselves cool. Some tweenies have been enjoying spending time with the toddlers ready for their big move.

In **Toddlers** we have been exploring the topic All Creatures Great and Small. The children have enjoyed exploring different animals.

They have especially enjoyed searching for worms in the garden to make a worm world. The children were very inquisitive about the worms and where to find them as they were hiding in the garden.

Preschool have also been thoroughly enjoying exploring the topic Under the Sea. The children have been learning different animal names in Welsh. They have been very busy painting their hands to make a giant whale from the snail and the whale book. They have been making jelly fish and octopus's to keep their whale company. The children picked their own colours to paint their jellyfish.



We have all also thoroughly enjoyed getting involved in lots of fun activities from Father's Day, Pineapple Day to Blueberry Muffin Day! We also had a teddy bear's picnic!



Dates for your



Little Box of Big Adventures.

In the nursery the children have been taking it in turns to take home a little box of big adventures. This is where the children take the adventure box home and then draw, write or take pictures of the adventures they have had at home.



- 3rd August 2019—
Sandcastle Day, 
- 12th August 2019—World Elephant Day,
- 26th August—Bank Holiday Monday. Opening times 8.00am -5.00pm,
- 4th September 2019— Wildlife Day,
- 13th September 2019— International Chocolate Day.

Welcome new staff.

We would like to give a warm welcome to our new members of staff—Hayley and Elisha .

Parent Reminders:

- We would like to ask all parents to please avoid walking on the grass bank outside the nursery—this is dangerous.
- The nursery is not able to swap or cancel booked or set days as per registration contract.
- We kindly ask for children to have a spare set of clothes in their bags with their names on.