

# Glangwili Day Nursery Spring/ Summer

## Newsletter

March 2019



### Outdoor Play



Outdoor play and explorations is part of the daily routine at Glangwili Day Nursery and is always thoroughly enjoyed by all. There are many different reasons why outdoor play is important, but here are a few of our favourites.

The outdoor environment provides the perfect opportunity for physical development. Children are able to use larger toys and equipment to develop their gross motor skills as well as strengthening their muscles.

Hand and eye coordination is used and developed through a range of fun and exciting activities.

Children develop their self confidence by taking part in different activities and develop their sense of achievement as well as resilience. They are able to experience successfully achieving something, which may have initially looked a bit scary!

Outdoor play provides an environment which naturally stimulates the senses, from smelling the air, soil and grass, to feeling the paving, plants and natural textures.

Promoting children's independence is extremely important to all of the staff at Glangwili Day Nursery, children are encouraged to get ready for outdoor play, to choose the resources that they would like to use and to also take responsibility by putting things away once done.



There is no stone that gets left unturned during outdoor play. We thoroughly enjoy getting involved in all aspects of children being able to explore the natural environment and sharing the excitement of what we can find!

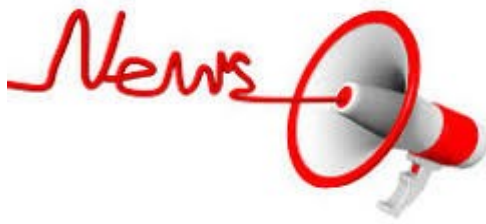


#### **Did you know:**

At all Schoolhouse Daycare Nurseries, before any children take part in outdoor play a member of staff completes a thorough check of the outdoor area. This is a procedure in place which supports staff in keeping your children as safe as possible at all times.

Once a member of the team is satisfied that all required checks are completed, the children will go outside to play.

# 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** we have continued to enjoy our sensory activities as well as messy play.

We have been looking at the world around us and the animals which are in it. The children have thoroughly enjoyed messy play activities with the animals we are learning about, and also food items that we are familiar with.

The under 2's have now introduced Welly Wednesday to their routine. Although outdoor play is a part of the daily routine at Glangwili Day Nursery, Welly Wednesday provides the opportunity for even messier fun! The mud kitchen has been a hit with all of the children in the nursery and continues to develop as children find new resources that they would like to add.



The under 2's will now continue to develop their theme and look at different transport that may be familiar to the children in the world around them.

In **Toddlers** we have been exploring the topic Marvellous Me. The children have enjoyed a range of different activities to get to know themselves and their friends better.

They particularly enjoyed making their faces using pasta and spaghetti. The children have been exploring what they look like using a mirror and they have been experimenting using their senses by playing, with and touching a range of different objects.



**Preschool** have also been thoroughly enjoying exploring the Marvellous Me topic. The children have been learning head, shoulders, knees and toes in Welsh along with the actions. We have been focusing on what each part of the body can do. For example, our hands are for feeling and our mouths are for tasting. The children particularly enjoyed making their faces using fruit whilst using their senses to touch, taste and smell.



We have all also thoroughly enjoyed getting involved in lots of fun activities for Valentines Day, St David's Day, World Book Day and also Red Nose Day!



# Dates for your



We are very pleased to say that we have had our environmental health inspection and have maintained our 5\* food hygiene rating.



As the weather begins to warm, please can you ensure that children are dressed appropriately and have shoes with them. Although the warmer parts of days are avoided, it is still best to take every precaution possible.

- 24 April 2019—Parents Evening
- 17 May 2019—World Baking Day
- 21 May 2019—World Day of Cultural Diversity
- 5 June 2019—World Environment Day
- 16 June 2019— Fathers Day
- 10 July 2019—Teddy bear picnic Day



A very big congratulations to Zoe Wilmot and Gemma Davies who have both had their babies!

## Parent Reminders:

- Nursery will be closed on Easter Monday (22 April 2019)
- 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.