



News from City Day nursery

Upcoming theme days at nursey

3rd august– sandcastle day
4th august– international friendship day
1st September—pet rock day
4th September—wildlife day
1st October– international music day
30th October- fairy tale day



Family app

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As you are all aware we have now moved all records over to the “Family app”. We would like to thank you for all your patience and feedback in helping us with this transition. I am hoping you all agree with real time updates about your child's day and their development has made a difference.



Facebook

Please remember to join our parent group on Facebook **Schoolhouse daycare parents** .

Like our Facebook **Schoolhouse daycare ltd**

Staffing news

Farewell to:

We would like to let you know that Megan and Samantha will be working at our singleton site and we would like to wish them luck in their new adventure!

Promotions:

Vicky will now be continuing as the nursery manager on a full time basis.

We would also like to congratulate Melanie on her new position as deputy manager.

Congratulations:

We would like to congratulate Alicia who is having a baby, we wish you and your family all the luck in the world with your upcoming pregnancy.

General reminders

We would like to thank you all for your continued help with the new structure in regards to the COVID19 pandemic,

Please continue to follow the parent guidance .





We would like to welcome all of our lovely children and their family's back to Nursery and say a big hello to all the new family's that have come to join us here at City. We have been very busy exploring all the new areas at nursery!

WHAT'S NEW



Bran knows the name of every dinosaur in nursery!

The Children have really enjoyed exploring the new Small world area. This has been created using natural objects alongside handmade wooden toys.



Ethan "the fairy's like to have a picnic"



Small worlds, as well as being fun, are the ideal platform for nurturing children's imagination from a young age. This **play** provides them with an opportunity to explore new materials, act out scenarios from real life, build language, practice social skills, and gain an understanding of the **world**



Loose parts

You may have noticed that over the past few weeks the nursery is beginning to change and the environment is becoming a more natural and holistic place. A huge part of this is loose part play, we wanted to tell you a little bit more about the importance of loose part play within the nursery.

What is a loose part?

The pedagogical approach for loose parts is to enable children to undertake their own learning using everyday objects rather than 'plastic toys'.

Some of our favourites are...

- Household items like cotton reels, curtain rings, blocks, beads, buttons, balls, tubes, tins, pots, springs, washers, marbles, bangles, tiles, pegs.
- Natural resources such as stones, sea shells, feathers, pine cones, leaves, sticks, conkers, acorns, sand.
- Fabrics such as scarves, ribbons, laces, scrunchies.
- Modelling materials like playdough, kinetic sand and even slime.

What are the benefits of loose part play?

Using loose parts in the learning environment encourages growth in all areas of development. Loose parts gives children the freedom to arrange and rearrange, essentially using the parts to create their own rules and designs, which allows the focus of the experience to be on the process rather than the product.



"we are keeping the tree warm today" said Ameila .



Why not try this at home?



We would love to see pictures of the children using loose parts at home! A favourite here with the children is a mug tree and bracelets/bangles, it is amazing how long the children spend engaged at the loose parts area.

Please forward your pictures to us using the family app or via email. We would love to display them in our loose parts area.





Random act of kindness day

The children have been really busy making hearts at nursery for Random act of kindness day. The children went into the City Centre to give their art to strangers. We received fantastic feedback and we would like to thank everyone that took part.



"Thank you all for your very thoughtful gift of Rainbow Hearts. My sister was out for a walk and was given one by one of your children. This was very special to her and came at a time when she especially needed to be uplifted. She asked me to contact you, so.. . Thank you again for such a lovely idea. Best wishes Mally"

World book day

Thankyou to everyone that joined in with the world book day celebrations at nursery. We had lots of fun and the costumes were fantastic !



If you read just **one** book a day to your child, they will have been read **1825** books by their 5th birthday.

Every Day Counts.
Every Book Counts.

A little look
back at what
we did before
lockdown!

