



Little Stars Newsletter August-September 2018

Dates for your diary

Summer Holidays:

23rd July - 3rd September
2018

8th September - Virgin Mary
navity (Christianity)

12th - september Hijra - new
year (islam)

23rd septmeber - equinox
(seasons)

Website

We are currently in the middle of updating our lovely website to be more user friendly and to contain up to date policies/ photos/ events.

We will be transferring all newsletters up on our website from next month (September) and this is where parents will be able to access them. You will receive an email letting you know when they are up!

Our nursery policies will also be readily available for all parents to look through!

We hope you will love the new look!

What's happening in the community?

Free Zumba classes for mums and dads- 9:30-10:15 on Fridays @ whitton youth zone
Call Saskieja on :07469100498

Story & Rhyme with Mark @ Bedfont Children's Centre

Wednesdays, 12.30 -1.15pm

Sessions includes a variety of songs and rhymes, delivered by Mark with his guitar and several props.
020 8583 5581

Lost Property

We have a lost property box please check to see if any items belong to your child.
It is rather full as of late.

Nursery changes

We are currently in the middle of getting all brand-new resources for all rooms! And garden!

How exciting!

We are making some changes to room layouts to better suit the children's interests.

We have also begun work on a new sensory room within the nursery. We will be repurposing the "quiet room within the three's and all children will have chance to use this room within their planned activities.

BENEFITS OF A SENSORY ROOM

There are a whole host of benefits of a sensory room for those who require them, some of these include:

Sensory Stimulation - by encouraging the user to engage and explore the environment then it can have positive effects on their ability to react and interact with the larger world around them

Enhance Learning through Play - following on from this, sensory stimulation can engage different areas of the brain, helping children absorb and retain more information and better meeting the needs of the individual

Improve Balance, Movement and Spatial Orientation - Sensory rooms can help develop users' visual processing abilities as well as their fine and gross motor skills, facilitating day-to-day living.

Tackle Problems with Behaviour - Sensory environments can be highly absorbing, providing a moment of comfort and calm for overactive and distressed individuals, and helping inactive individuals to feel better engaged. This improves focus 😊

Sensory room

Sensory
Development for Up to 15
months

10:30am Sundays
Secret Garden Play
Cafe, KT1 2UW

Nursery Activities

Babies:

Babies theme this month is transport and physical play.

We are practising our fine motor and gross motor skills with climbing, drawing, ball play (throwing, rolling), build towers.

We are learning names of transport and using it in role-play around the car garage on car tracks, pushing the cars down the hill/slide seeing how fast they go and using ready steady go games to do this.

Two-three's:

The twos are doing weather theme. The past couple of weeks the children have been interested in the weather.

We have made bubbles in the rain puddles and raced boats and rubber ducks.

We are making wellie boots out of papier-mâché decorating them and using them to plant veg.

We are also exploring weather objects and will be matching weather objects

Three to five's:

This month we've been talking different materials/ textures.

We have painted various materials and talked about their surfaces, feels and used different from each other.

We also talked about outdoor surfaces for example which surface is suitable for pushing a toy.

Parent participation

We have been looking into how we can make parents feel more connected and involved within the nursery,

We will be sending out a questionnaire to parents within the next week, could you please fill these out and send them back to us, these are valuable to us, and helps us make your experience of nursery better.

Parent presentations; we will be holding informal presentation evenings for parents to attend we hope they can give you a better insight into what we do at nursery and to help with things such as meal times, potty training, EYFS and the importance of play and school readiness. There will be coffee / tea / nibbles and a section within the questionnaire where you can request a certain presentation.

We will also be holding a coffee morning each term, for parents to pop along and get stuck in to some activities we do here at nursery, as well as answering any questions parents may have.

We will also be holding breakfast mornings for events such as Mother's Day / Father's Day/ Easter/ Diwali and other events such as Christmas where we can spend a lovely morning together.

Keep an eye out for these events and parent evenings and coffee mornings within newsletters and emails.