



ST MICHAEL'S MAIL

Nursery Newsletter

4th July 2021

Hello from the nursery team:

Hilary, Jennie, Charlotte, Elaine, Gemma, Georgie, Hollie, Lizzie, Louise & Sophie

Dear Parents and Carers,

Almost at the end of term!

This week we have several events! Transitional chats for parents of school leavers, the play - Chicken Licken - on Thursday 8th and an additional item, a theatre show Choogh Choogh on Friday 9th.

Chicken Licken will start at about 11.30. Older children who do not normally attend and have advised us that they will be attending should arrive at 11.20. We will then dress them in their costumes ready for the play to start at 11.30 (hopefully!). The play will be on the grass area adjacent to the nursery garden. Chairs will be available for parent attendees (1 parent per child). Nursery committee members will be allocated one extra seat each. Children have been allocated their parts and we have all the costumes so no need for parents to panic! Please remember there is NO lunch club or Forest School on Thursday.

On Friday, in association with Surrey Arts, we have a theatre company presenting 'Choogh Choogh', a show for the children (see flyer at the end of this newsletter). We have two showings. One at 10am, the second at 1p.m. Children who do not normally attend on a Friday may attend the 1pm show (with a parent/carer, siblings in arms/buggies may also attend). Children who have attended the morning show may also attend the second show with a parent/carer, maybe after a picnic in the park. The show will also be on the grass area adjacent to the nursery garden. It would be helpful to know how many we are expecting for the 1pm show.

Please be on the lookout for the summer holidays playdate sign up sheet! The first playdate will be at nursery on Tuesday 20th July 10.30-12.30.

Also, just a reminder that any star of the day video's MUST be filmed in landscape format when uploaded to Tapestry or we won't be able to show them.

Leavers Parents ~ once the end of term dust has settled, your child's tapestry account will be set for you to download. The file allows for photo's but does not allow for any video's to download. If there are video's you wish to keep, you will need to go into your child's account and download them individually. Unfortunately, we are unable to keep the account live once we have new starters in September.

Hilary

Dates for your diary NB. all dates are subject to Covid-19 restrictions:

Thursday 8th July, 11.30am start: End of term play (older children & parents) - **ALL children finish 12.15pm**
Friday 9th July, 10am and 1pm: Choogh Choogh theatre show (please inform Nursery if your child is attending)
Monday 12th July, 2.15pm start: Sports Day (older children)
Tuesday 13th July, 11.45am start: Sports Day (younger children); End of term (younger children)
Wednesday 14th July, 9.30am start: Leavers' party; End of term (older children)
Monday 19th July: *Community Midsummer's Ice Cream Picnic - rescheduled date (for details see 'Friends of St Michael's Community Nursery' Facebook page)*
Tuesday 20th July, 10.30am: Summer playdate at nursery

PLAY IDEAS

Communication, Language and Literacy:

Introduce a broad range of books and other reading materials, such as information and instructional books, to support your child's reading journey. If you don't already have these at home it's the perfect excuse for a trip to the library. Respond to questions they ask by suggesting you look it up in a book together, or read and follow a recipe when cooking.

Woodland Wonder

The wood from the Elder tree contains a soft pithy core which is easily removed to create hollow beads. The core can be pushed through, using a skewer or a thin stick. You can then thread the beads onto a piece of string, or a pipe cleaner to create a bracelet, necklace or decoration... the list is endless!

Watch [this video](#) guide from the Sussex Wildlife Trust



Makaton

At nursery each week we introduce a Makaton sign and symbol. Makaton supports spoken language and helps children communicate their needs.

This week's sign is Drama:

click [here](#) for link to video



Sound of the week:

m

Number of the week:

20

Click on [this link](#) for a video demonstrating how to pronounce the phonic sounds

M is for making music:

Make a simple musical instrument - there are lots of online tutorials for making shakers, rainmakers, drums - from recycled materials and things you find around the home. Enjoy making music together! You can make up and copy rhythms, march to a drum or play along to familiar rhymes together.



Star of the Day

Please take a photo or short video of something special that your child would like to share with us at nursery and upload it to Tapestry.

NB. please record videos in landscape format (i.e. with phone held horizontally) so we are able to view them on the large screen.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions we cannot currently show items brought in from home.

Monday 5th: Max

Tuesday 6th: George

Wednesday 7th: Amelie



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All aboard this dancing train journey through India

Mixing classical Indian dance with movement, mime and play. We share the richness of Indian culture, its people and nature seen from a train window.



Photo credit: Vipul Sangol

Coming to your setting soon!

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