St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

3rd March 2024

Hello from the nursery team: Hilary, Jennie, Georgie, Kelly, Lizzie, Louise and Sophie

Dear parents and carers,

This week at nursery we will continue with our Mother's Day activity! Please make sure you check your child's tray, if you are not picking up, then please ensure the picker uppers also check! Your child will be disappointed if they are not able to present the gift they have made.

The gingerbread house is no longer soft play city, but we will have resources there to continue the 'sleepover' role play that started this last week. Dinosaurs are popular with several children so our new play space will be dino themed this week.

This year World Book Day is Thursday 7th March. Older siblings in school may be celebrating by wearing fancy dress/book character costumes, if your nursery aged child wishes to join in, then it's fine for them to come along to nursery in fancy dress too. You should have received two book tokens in your child's tray, do try to 'spend' them to ensure we keep receiving them!

One child came in this week and we were delighted to hear that he'd been really excited to swap last week's library book for a new one. If your child has borrowed a book from our 'library' (it will have a blue St. Michael's sticker on the spine) please remember to return it as we can only lend one book at a time and some children are now disappointed when they are unable to choose another book at 'book swap' time.

On 10th March, Mothering Sunday, there is a craft workshop in church for children from 10am, followed by a short 11am Worship for all service. Refreshments provided. No charge but donations welcome. All welcome but it would be helpful if you could Sandra know if you are coming. parishpriest@micklehamchurch.org.uk

Did you know about the Saturday morning coffee and cake in Westhumble? It runs on the first Saturday of every month 10-12 in the Chapel (opposite and up a bit from the train station) free squash for children, £2 for coffee/tea and a cake. I popped along on Saturday and it was a hub of activity with a very impressive selection of cake and savoury items, well worth a pop in with a corner for children to play.

Don't forget it's our Easter Fair on Sunday 17th March, add it to your diary now, reminder poster attached!

And finally, a cautionary note! We had a visit last week from one of our Early Years Advisors. A health and safety comment was raised regarding the speed of cars arriving and departing! Please help us to keep your children safe by driving with a little extra care in the car park.

Hilary



Communication, Language and Literacy:

It's World Book Day on Thursday 7th March, a day to celebrate and inspire a love of books and reading all year round, and it's never too early to start!

Visit the World Book Day website for ideas, activities and advice - including where and how to spend the vouchers you will have found in trays last week: https://www.worldbookday.com/families/

Stuck for what to read next? They also provide a handy list of book recommendations for all ages: https://www.worldbookday.com/reading-recommendations/top-25-picture-books/

Number of the week:



Woodland Wonder:

Big or small, rustic or designer, a bug hotel provides plenty of nooks for bugs to shelter in and will help all wildlife.



You could use a tin can, an old plant pot, a shoe box...go big with old wooden pallets...or keep it simple with a log pile in a corner of your garden. Fill the space with sticks and leaves, grass and twigs, add pine cones, stones, small plant pots and more. Follow this link for more ideas:

https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2019/09/how-to-build-a-bug-hotel/

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/tablet held horizontally) so we are able to view them on the large screen.

Monday 4th: Oscar M

Tuesday 5th: Alfie

Wednesday 6th: Evan

Thursday 7th: Sienna

Friday 8th: Mimi

Our Star of the Day schedule is also displayed in the nursery window for future dates