



ST. MICHAEL'S MAIL

St. Michael's Nursery Newsletter

2nd March 2025

Hello from the nursery team:

Hilary, Jennie, Faith, Hannah, Justyn, Katie, Kelly, Lizzie, Louise and Sophie

Dear parents and carers,

We really enjoyed painting our glue table sculpture and some of our dinosaurs last week, this week they will join together for Jurassic Land! We also had a great time last week laying out race tracks using our new go-cart tyres, thank-you to childminder Jana for collecting and delivering them, what a fabulous resource they will be. Continuing with the interest in vehicles this week, we hope to use the tyres and some of our other large 'loose parts' to create vehicles. We will also be practicing catching and throwing, and attempting to do so as we race with frying pans and pretend pancakes! If you happen to have any past it's 'best before' date flour, please do donate it to the nursery as we can use it to make pretend pancakes on the dough table.

This week many schools will be celebrating World Book Day, if your child has an older sibling who is taking part in Word Book Day dressing up activities, your younger child wants to join in and you can't wait to join the stress fun of creating a unique world book day outfit, you are welcome to send your child in dressed up! Please note there is no expectation to dress up, and as Thursday is a Forest School morning, dressing up will not be suitable unless they are dressing as Scott of The Antarctic! Please ensure any costume does not hinder a child's ability to play!

Just a reminder that lunch boxes should not contain sweets or chocolate. Chocolate coated biscuits are acceptable, but something that is visually recognised as a chocolate bar (e.g. a freddo, or kitkat) is not suitable for a nursery lunch time and best saved for a treat at home. Thank you.

Hilary

This week...

Communication and Language:

Popular with children and adults alike...bubble play and games can support your child's learning in many ways:

- listening and attention: ready, steady, go games; name a body part to pop the bubbles with
- turn-taking
- expanding vocabulary: introduce language of size/shape/prepositions
- oral motor skills: blowing bubbles will strengthen and develop muscles essential for speech.



Number of the week:

4
four

Woodland Wonder:

Create a woodland tale... Collect some natural items and see if you can make up a story using the items as prompts. Lay out your found treasures (remember...no pick, no lick!) and talk about what you have collected. You could start with a suggestion, a character, an event...a daisy might be a fairy sunshade, an acorn case a hat for a small creature... use phrases to encourage your child to join in such as 'I wonder who/what...'. Be imaginative and have fun!



Star of the Day

Please upload to Tapestry a photo or short video of something special that your child would like to share with us at nursery. Two or three photos/videos is plenty!

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 3rd: Willa

Tuesday 4th: Nora

Wednesday 5th: Mimi

Thursday: No star today!

Friday 6th: Stefa

Our star of the day schedule is also displayed in the nursery window for future dates