

# Jolly Rodgers Toddlers Newsletter October 2022

#### THIS MONTH IS ALL ABOUT 'WHERE DOES IT COME FROM''

Our learning through play will continue to progress throughout our monthly activities. The children will continue to build on new skills daily, please encourage these at home. This month we are looking at 'where does it come from' – this can take our plans in lots of different directions and all activities will focus around this and will lead into Autumn, leaves, changing colours, change with weather etc. We will also incorporate Halloween within this project.



# THIS MONTH'S SONG'S (please encourage your child to sing these with you)

Halloween is coming
Five little pumpkins
Five creepy spiders
Incy Wincy spider
Autumn leaves are falling down
Falling leaves
Peter Peter Pumpkin eater
Ten round pumpkins
Dingle dangle scarecrow



#### **NUMBERS**

Each day we encourage the children with recognition of numbers. Please encourage your children to count with you, discuss how many they count e.g. how many Halloween decorations are there, how many leaves have they picked up, how many different colours on the leaves etc.

#### THIS MONTH'S COLOUR – BLACK

Sand trays will be filled with a variety of different items this month with autumn & Halloween e.g. spiders, skeletons, stones & leaves, spaghetti & rice with Halloween colours.

Tuff Tray will be filled with Autumn objects and adding in Halloween objects e.g. skeletons, spiders, pumpkin etc.

## THIS MONTH'S ARTS (we will send home children's work for you to display)

We will be using lots of different art & crafts to decorate pictures for our theme. E.g. crayons, felt tips, painting, sticking, junk art, foot prints, tissue paper, making pictures using glue & sand.

## We will be making:

Autumn pictures and junk art from leaves & twigs we find on our nature walk in the Fairyland forest. We will be doing 'comb' and 'fork' paintings and turning them into hedgehogs. We will also be making autumn trees with cork painting, drawing and painting with autumn colours, leaf printing and designing our own pictures using leaves, handprint hedgehogs & handprint leaves and making autumn window pictures. Using arm and finger painting to create trees. Junk art pictures of scary spiders, witches, bats & ghosts, pumpkins, spider webs using crayons and black paint, apple painting, cotton wool ghosts, pumpkin pictures. Chalk firework pictures and we will also be doing lots of artwork which we will be decorating around the room. We will also be carving a pumpkin to put in our room. Very busy month!



**COOKING** – Chocolate apples, shortbread bats, rice krispie pumpkins.



#### THIS MONTH'S CIRCLE TIME

Within the Toddlers room we will use "Circle Time" to read stories, poems etc to develop each child's love of books and language and knowledge.

We will talk about our month's theme, and all about leaves falling, different sizes different colours and dressing up for Halloween. We will also be continuing working on our days of the week.

We will read books and learn our new songs.

Our stories this month will include the following topics:
The windy day
Scary Sid
The scarecrow wedding
The very helpful hedgehog
Incy wincy spider
Is that you wolf



#### THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAY'S

Each month we may have a birthday celebration; we will create a birthday chart and sing "Happy Birthday". Each child will be added to this chart as their birthday occurs throughout the year. If you wish you may send a cake/or healthy option to celebrate during break. (All Cakes must be nut free).

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Finn M

Ethan

Molly

Luca

Caleb

Emma

 $\mathcal{O}$ 



#### PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

We will be outside every day; please provide a coat now that the weather is cooling down. We will be investigating the trees and how the leaves change colour on the trees! ©

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Thank you for your patience as we are making the move to famly. We are still learning as we go so, please bear with us if we do have a few 'issues' along the way. If you have not received your log in invite or would like another family member to receive one please do just let us know. Thank you.

Can we ask that you please be extra cautious when driving around the car park area and always be aware of adults and children. We are sure you can appreciate that there are a lot of children within the nursery being collected at different times and it can be busy. Please always be attentive of this. Can we please remind you not to block the area where nursery vehicles are parked. This must be kept clear at all times so the vehicles can get in and out and we can safely off load the children.

Can we request that parents please be mindful that we may have a number of children within the nursery with highly compromised immune systems and coming into contact with common infectious conditions, especially chicken pox or stomach bugs, may have serious implications for them. If your child may come into contact with chicken pox, please do inform nursery so that we can pass this information on.

Please note that children with a tummy bug should not return to nursery until they have been well for 48hrs. Advice on children returning to nursery or school after illness is available at <a href="http://www.publichealth.hscni.net">http://www.publichealth.hscni.net</a>

### **RAINBOW DAY**



## Just a little reminder it is Rainbow Day on Friday 7th October.

We have another charity that is very close to our hearts and that is 'make a wish children's charity'. We had a little boy who attended the nursery and he very sadly passed away a number of years ago. Each year, as this was his mother's request, we have a 'RAINBOW DAY' wearing bright colours in

memory of little Lennon and all money raised goes to 'make a wish'.

Our Rainbow Day this year is <u>FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER</u>. Please feel free to join us on this special day by wearing anything bright and colourful and all we ask is a small donation. THANK YOU.

We have some items of clothing that haven't been claimed can you please check at home if you are missing any items. Thank you.

## **PARTY TIME!!**

We will be having our Toddlers Halloween Party on Monday 31st October with fancy dress, spooky songs & terrifying treats!!



That's all for this month. Thank you from all in Toddlers.

# MEET THE TODDLERS TEAM...

Lisa - Team Leader

Michelle

Suzanne







Rachel

Hannah

Bethany





