



Jolly Rodgers Preschool Newsletter April 2024

THIS MONTH WE WILL BE LOOKING AT 'WHERE DOES IT LIVE'

We will continue investigating 'spring, life cycle & mini beasts' and Easter celebrations. Our learning through play will continue to progress well throughout our monthly activities. The children will be building on new skills daily please encourage these at home. We will each be planting our own flowers and seeds and watching them grow on a daily basis.

THIS MONTH'S SONG'S –

Five little speckled frogs
Chick chick chick chicken
Incy wincy spider
Lady bird Lady bird
Five Little Ducks
Sleeping bunnies



THIS MONTH'S COLOUR –Purple

The water tray will contain purple water and we will add theme related items throughout the month.

Individual sand trays will be filled with soil, sticks, stones, leaves and insects!

Dough will be purple and include purple items.

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

All art work will include gluing, sticking, colouring, painting and cutting relating to our theme – caterpillar hands, magnifying glasses, pipe cleaners with cherrios to make bird feeders, paper plate chicks. We will be focusing on spring & spring colours and crafts. We will be having Easter crafts including decorating Easter eggs using junk art and pasta.

Free play art resources and junk art available throughout each week.

We will also be baking Easter buns – yum!!

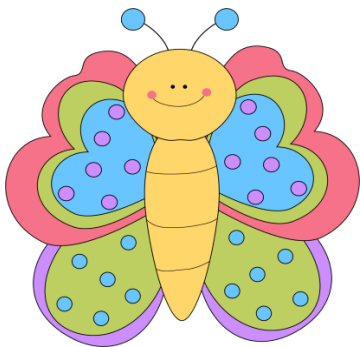


THIS MONTH'S LOFT WILL BE "SENSORY DEN & LAND OF MINI BEASTS"

Ground Level – Sensory den including natural shape objects and theme related objects. Along with this month's project we will be really focusing on sensory & touch. Feeling and playing with different textures. This will tie in with ur regular sand and water play.

Upper Level-will be developed as a quiet area for reading.

All children will be encouraged to create their own items for the loft area and create their own artwork. Children will also be encouraged to add any items they wish to relating to the loft area.



THIS MONTH'S CIRCLE TIME

Within pre-school we will use "Circle Time" to read stories, poems etc to develop each child's love of books and language.

We will read books and learn our new rhymes. Our rhymes & stories will all be theme related and will include the following

What the ladybird heard

Fat red hen

Mini Beasts Bop

Hungry caterpillar

One by one

New rhymes

We will also use circle time to discuss:

Counting

Shapes

Days of the week

The colour purple

In addition during circle time children will have an input to make plans and they will also discuss what they have liked in the room and anything they would like to change. Their input and feedback will help staff shape plans to meet the children's interests and needs.

We will continue to care for our fish. We will also continue to explore natural items relating to the season. Theme related items will also be on display including spring items, life cycles & animals e.g. chicks & frogs

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:

NO BIRTHDAY'S





PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

Physical activities will be continued to be promoted through both indoor and outdoor weekly plans.

We will be outside every day playing and exploring in Fairyland Forest and having mini beast hunts. Please ensure you have send a coat and hat with your child each day. The children will also be introduced to a variety of games and outdoor equipment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Jolly Rodgers staff are here to discuss any aspect of pre-school with you at anytime, either speak to one of us directly, phone or email and we will get back to 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. Thank you.

Can we please ask, if you know your child will not be attending nursery whether it be due to illness or holidays, that you let us know. Thank you.

Please note nursery will be closed on Easter Monday 1st April & Easter Tuesday 2nd April and will reopen on Wednesday 3rd April. Thank you. We hope you all enjoy a lovely break.

Thank you – from all in Pre-school.