



Jolly Rodgers Toddlers Newsletter March 2024

THIS MONTH WE WILL BE LOOKING AT 'THE WONDERS OF NATURE' – INCLUDING LIFE CYCLES. ALSO 'ST PATRICK'S DAY, MOTHER'S DAY'.

Our learning through play will continue to progress well throughout our monthly activities. The children will continue to build on new skills daily please encourage these at home. This month we will be exploring and celebrating the traditions of Mother's Day and St Patricks Day. We will look at how it is celebrated in different countries and tradition associated.

We will each be planting our own flowers in individual pots and watch them grow on a daily basis. We will look at hibernation and which animals being born & the cycles of this process.

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

M-U-M-M-Y

Happy Mother's Day to you

Mum Says

I'm a little Leprechaun

The Fuzzy caterpillar

Five little speckled frogs

Chick chick chick chicken

NUMBERS

Each day we encourage the children with recognition of numbers. We will discuss how many they count e.g. how many shamrock are in the sand, how many legs a caterpillar has ???, how many cocoons we see in our story books etc.

Please encourage your children to count with you,

THIS MONTH'S COLOURS – YELLOW/GREEN

Sand trays will have chicks & bunnies added.

We will have green play dough and will be exploring soil using our spades, rakes & shovels.

The Water will be green also with green items added during the month.

We will also be playing with green rice and other green items in tuft tray.

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, footprints, tissue paper, potato masher rainbows, leprechaun making pictures using glue & sand.

We will be making Mother's Day artwork, including handprint flowers and St Patrick's Day artwork including pots of gold with rainbow handprints, art work relating to life cycles and paper plate chicks – tracing around our hands and much more...

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



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

I love my mummy
Mother's Day
St Patrick's Day
Bunny my honey
Hush little chick
Butterfly
Little Bear and the butterflies
Little Chick
Ed's Egg

We will also use circle time to discuss:
Our daily calendar
Days of the week
The colour yellow and green
Experiences and knowledge gained from visits

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:

Theo

Caragh

Evie



PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

We will be outside every day playing and exploring in Fairyland Forest. Can you please ensure you have sent a warm coat to nursery. Thank you.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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 can all items of clothing be labelled as this will hopefully prevent clothes going missing. 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.



On the first Friday in each month staff will be having a non-uniform day with donations going to our chosen charity for this year 'Children's Heartbeat Trust'. This charity supports children and young people with heart disease.

'Our work helps children and young people with heart disease, and their families, live full and empowered lives; informed about their heart condition but not overwhelmed by it.'

Just a reminder that the nursery will be closed on Monday 18th March. We hope you all enjoy a lovely long weekend. Thank you.



Thank you from all in Toddlers.