

Newsletter

September 2023



What's New?

Autumn has officially started... it's time for coats and bobble hats!

We have started the new academic year off right with lots of fun and learning experiences for the children.

PAPERLESS is now in full swing and diaries are all done through our evidence me app. Please bear with us as the staff get used to using the electronic diaries. Your child observations will be sent electronically termly. First term will be sent in **January 2024 via email.**

We have created a new **Sensory Room**, we have created a quiet, calming area with relaxing senses, music, lights, and resources to help children regulate their feelings/emotions. The sensory room can be accessed by all children, and it will be for small groups and one to ones. The children have loved exploring our new room and so have we.

Reminder

Now the weather is getting colder and wetter please can parents/carers provide puddle suits, coats, wellies, hats etc, as we do go outside in all weather.

Please remember we are open from 7:30am if you are early, the car park is open, please feel free to wait in there. If you do not drive and arrive early, please feel free to come on to the premises however you will be required to wait with your child until 7:30am.

Please see useful links for advice on healthy lunch boxes.

Staffing

Some of the staff members have been on an EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) course to refresh their knowledge and understanding to help your children learn, grow, and develop.

Updates

It comes with great sadness that Lucy has left Brookdale Nursery. She has been with us for 12 years and now the time has come for her to move on and pursue another career. She will be greatly missed by us all and we wish her all the best in the future.

This Month We Have...

Baby Room- In the baby room we have been settling new children and creating secure attachments for the children to feel happy and safe. The babies have loved exploring the new sensory room where they have explored sensory balls, blocks, lights, smells, and sounds. The babies have also been exploring paint using their hands, feet and other mark making tools, they have created some lovely pictures such as hedgehogs, hearts, and autumn pictures. We have been developing our physical skills using the soft play gym.

Middlies room- In the middlies room we have been exploring paint creating some lovely autumn pictures, playing outside in the garden developing our physical skills, using the slides, seesaws, and balls. The children have loved the mud kitchen cooking food for us all, we have been having LOTS of mud pies. The children have been going on spider hunts both indoors and outdoors, then created their own spider pictures. We have been singing lots of nursery rhymes and using lots of language in play.

Transition Room- The transition room have introduced Dough Gym; the children get to explore different textured play dough and it help to develop their physical fine motor skills. The children have been learning about their feelings using the colour monster looking at the different colours to help describe what each feeling may look like. The children have also enjoyed singing using puppets, naming animals and their sounds through songs such as Old McDonald. The transitioners have been exploring vegetables in paint to make some lovely autumn pictures.

Preschool Room- The preschoolers have been settling into their new room and getting used to being the "Big boys and girls" of nursery. We have made our own volcanoes, been looking at the change from summer to autumn and loved playing games with the musical instruments. The children have been thinking about growing and changing and we have met our new preschool bear Brook.

Useful links/ Information

- [Creating a culture and ethos of healthy eating - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)



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Staff Member of the Month.... Say Hello to **Tanya**

Tanya is level 3 qualified and has many years of experience working within the childcare sector. She has worked with children from 3 months all the way to 11 years old. Tanya loves to keep improving and working on her continuous professional development, she has gained many qualifications such as management/ leadership qualifications, sign language, SEND and many more. Tanya is very enthusiastic, fun and a little crazy which we all love.

Tanya has 4 children of her own and in her spare time she likes to spend time with her family, going on walks and having family days out.

Tanya's favourite thing about working with child is "Watching the children grow, change, and develop in all areas, having bonds with each child and their families. I love doing crafts with the children and creating play for them to enjoy as well as learn."



Upcoming Events...

- Sukkot- Sep 29th - 6th Oct
- Harvest Festival- 1st Oct – 23rd Oct
- International astronomy day- 1st Oct
- International school library month
- ADHD awareness month
- Dyslexia awareness week- 2nd Oct- 8th Oct
- Grandparents day- 2nd Oct
- The London marathon- 2nd Oct
- World habitat day- 2nd Oct
- World animal day- 4th Oct
- World space week- 4th Oct – 6th Oct
- World smile day- 6th Oct
- World octopus day- 8th Oct
- Halloween- 31st Oct



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