

Newsletter

March 2023

What's New?

So, the clocks have gone forward! Who can feel the difference?... At least the nights are getting brighter, and the weather is getting better, which mean we can start playing outside after tea. **Please be mindful of this and drive carefully up the driveway.**

We have more new staff joining our team. Please see **Staffing** section.

This Month We Have...

Baby Room- We have been focusing on our physical skills lots this month, using the baby walkers and physical gym. We have been encouraging the babies to walk outside holding one hand. They have been doing a fantastic job! The babies have also been exploring LOTS of messy and edible malleable resources such as spaghetti hoops and yoghurt paint. We have been singing rhymes and looking at books to encourage communication skills, the babies have been learning many new words and sounds.

Middlies room- The middlies have been focusing on self-regulation in our new calm zone. Lots of story books about emotions, sensory toys and calming music throughout the day to encourage a more quiet, calm, positive and secure environment. The middles have been exploring the outdoor environment more now the weather is getting nicer. Lots of water/sand play has been enhancing the middlies language skills.

Transition Room- The children have been working hard on their manners this month, staff have been modeling lots of positive language such as please and thank you, positive body language and listening to each other/ the children. We have also been encouraging more independence with the children, putting their own coats on, getting their own lunch bags and finding their peg. The children have enjoyed exploring the outdoor environment a lot more as the weather is getting nicer.

Preschool Rom- The preschoolers have been focusing on creating a more calm, quiet, and positive environment. We have been exploring the new areas in the room.. the role play has been a BIG hit! We have been learning about how to care for living things, life cycles and the food chain through our fact books and 'Google' The children have enjoyed exploring in the orchard looking for insects and CREEPY CRAWLIES! We have been playing lots of group games outside developing our PSE skills such as scarecrow tig, golden bridge and hide and seek. We have been looking at shapes around the environment too.



Upcoming Events...

- Easter 9th April
- Earth Day 22nd April
- St George's Day 23rd April

Reminder

Preschooler Parents- Please bring back your child's graduation order form by **Friday 14th April**. We can then contact the photographer to collect the order forms. When graduation photos arrive, we will contact parents via **Evidence me**.

Please remember to check **Evidence me** for observations, pictures, and videos of your child. We also send information for more nappies, wipes, breakfast etc and any event/celebration activities like food tasting. You can also send us pictures, videos, and information via Evidence me.

Please remember that the **nursery fees** are increasing. Carole has sent a letter out beginning of March to inform all parents about the increase and we got some lovely feedback from parents.

We are so grateful for all your support.



Staffing

We have got a new staff member joining our team!!

Charlotte started with us as a student many years ago and is now a newly qualified level 3 practitioner. We are excited to welcome Charlotte to our team.



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

Danika is a qualified level 3 practitioner; she has worked with children/young people for 13 years. Danika has had experience working with children in Spain, Greece, Switzerland and France as a nanny, holiday rep and chalet hosting. Coming back to England and going straight into a nursery practitioner role in her previous job for 10 year.

Danika's favourite thing about working with child is **"There's never a dull moment, every day is different. All the children are unique and make me smile and laugh every day. It can be a challenging job at times but it's even more rewarding."**

Danika has a son who is 9 years old, and she is currently pregnant with her second child. Danika enjoys meeting with friends and family and spending time with her son.



Updates

Nursery fees have now increased.

Nursery is closed Friday 7th April and Monday 10th April 2023.

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Useful links/ Information

- [Healthy Eating Early Years \(EYFS\) - Teaching Resources \(twinkl.co.uk\)](https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/early-years/healthy-eating-early-years)
- [Speech and Language UK: Changing young lives](https://www.speechandlanguageuk.com/)
- [What is Risky Play in Early Years? | Twinkl - Twinkl](https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/early-years/risky-play)

