

# Newsletter – May 2023



Dear Parents,

We would like to **WELCOME** all of our new starters to the nursery, we hope that they have lots of fun joining in with the planned activities and make lots of new friends.



Our theme for the first couple of weeks in May is, 'The King's Coronation.' The week before looking at King Charles III and his life. Then after the main event we will be looking back and talking about what happened and the amazing things that we have seen. This includes two 'Coronation Picnics' in which everyone has already received their invitations for. We hope to see you there, for lots of yummy cake and a cup of tea. We would love to see your pictures on Tapestry of how you celebrate the Coronation at home.



Then for the rest of the month we will be continuing to look at 'Baby Animals' and 'Animals on the Farm' as well as exploring the garden and getting those 'Green Fingers' working.



**Exciting News!!!** - We now have butterflies!!! The caterpillars cocooned for two weeks in their 'garden', but over the May Bank Holiday they emerged and were waiting for us when we came in on the Tuesday.

## British Values

We ensure that we celebrate and use our British Values within the setting. We like the children to feel important with their responsibilities and help make choices throughout the setting, whether it be voting for the names for the chickens or deciding what activity is going on the carpet for all to play with. We, as a nursery, also accept and respect all kind of religions and traditions, and celebrate a wide range of them.



**All About Me:** Children in the Creative Room will be asked to complete an 'All About Me' box if they haven't already done so. This will help us to see what interests the children have and what is important to them. Rachel, Ruth and Parris will also be doing one each as well, for the children to learn about what is important to them. We ask for 3 important items, photographs would be lovely, not just a toy!!



**White Post Farm** – We will be taking the children on our annual trip to White Post Farm to see all of the new baby animals that they have. This trip is open for all of The Creative Room and the children aged over 2 and a half in the Explorer Room. We do ask that any child that is still in nappies has a parent come with them onto the trip. Letters will go out this week.

#### **Parent Reviews**

A big thankyou to all parents who attended the parent reviews. It is lovely to have a sit down and discuss your child's development, seeing how we can help move them on. From these we will work on making home packs and looking at the next steps we need to work on.

***You are my sunshine, my only sunshine...*** Please remember to apply sun cream to your child and send them with a named hat, on those sunny days.

#### **Summer Menu**

Our new cook Megan will be starting our Summer Menu from the 9<sup>th</sup> May, which will have lots of yummy meals for the children including, quiches, and salads. We hope to get the children trying a variety of new things that they may not have had before.



**Homepacks** – Please don't forget to return any old home packs that you may have so that we can pass them on to other children to learn at home and so we can organise a different one or you to take home. We have found that these are working really well helping the children to achieve their next steps.

**Hand Washing** – This is still an important factor in all of our rooms and our lives, to help stop the spread of germs. We are continuing to wash our hands for 20 seconds while singing our song *'This is the way we wash our hands, wash our hands, wash our hands.....'*

Certificates have been going out to children who have been showing great confidence when doing this. It is important that we continue to keep on doing our hand washing routine to keep viruses and germs at bay. Bars of soap have been going out to the Explorers and any new starters to help them practice at home.



**Employee of the Month**: Our star practitioner this month is Isabel, our helper who comes after school from 4pm – 6pm. She always has a big smile on her face and always has lots of energy, helping the children at tea-time and then playing games with them until they go home!!

#### **Dates for your Diary**

- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Coronation Picnic
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May – Coronation Picnic
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May – White Post Farm Trip

