



Stars Bushfield Newsletter - July 2019



Just need to say.....

To all of you that joined the Graduation celebrations 2019 we just wanted to say a really big thank you for making both the afternoons so special for all the children. The children had a great day and hopefully they will remember that they were very special to us all at Stars and we could not be prouder of their achievements. Some of the children have now broken up for the summer but some of you will be with us until the end of August so a little more fun is yet to come. Good luck to all our wonderful well-behaved, motivated learners, polite children, who are going to school in September we know you will continue to make us all so proud.

We are also so overwhelmed by the lovely gifts, thank-you cards and wishes for the future you have given us as the end of term has approached. We all feel that simply 'THANK-YOU' seems inadequate, but we do really appreciate everything you have said and the wonderful gifts. We are truly inspired to keep going and to make this the best Nursery for this community that we can, and you have supported us all so well in our aim to do just and we are going to keep improving our services. You have been recommending us to people you know and that is really amazing , word of mouth is the best way to have our nursery recognised within a community and we will commit fully to uphold your recommendations as a good place to send your children. Thank you



Sun cream

As the heat and sunny days seem to be here for the foreseeable future, we would like to remind all parents that children need to have sun cream applied to help protect their skin before they come to Nursery. This way they can have a good overall cover of protection throughout the day. If you could do this before getting them dressed for nursery it would mean all areas of skin areas can be covered. Can you please also always provide a hat for Nursery we are happy for you to leave a named hat at the nursery for continuous use by your child and you will know they always have one with them. We cannot take children outside without a hat to protect their heads and they become upset if they cannot go outside. Following advice from NHS it is also advisable to protect children's shoulders from the sun so please remember either to put on tops that have capped sleeves or provide a cardigan to cover the shoulder area, again we are happy for you to leave one in a bag at nursery. It takes a long time to cover all the children in sun cream twice a day and if we need to do all children first it prevents them being able to go out from the start of a session so can we please request as above that you put sun cream on your children before bringing them and let the staff member know so they mark on the sheet that your child is protected. It is also possible to buy

once a day sun cream, so your child would be protected all day from the sun. We currently are not taking children outside in the garden between the hours of 11am and 3pm as it is too hot, and we do not want to risk sunburn or heat stroke. Also, during the really high temperatures we may keep children in at other times for their own protection. If you do forget to put on sun cream in the morning, please let a staff member know so they do put it on. Also, can you leave a bottle of named sun cream at nursery or in their bag, so we have access to it. If again you do forget it, we will put on nursery sun cream.



Next terms Focus Story

Next terms focus book will be The Rainbow Fish and the children will be taking part in activities linked to this story. The story is about a fish with shiny, multi-coloured scales named the Rainbow Fish. He has blue, green, and purple scales; and among them, he has shiny silver scales he is always fond of, until one day, a small fish asks him if he could have one, to which the Rainbow Fish refuses in a very rude manner. The other fish (including the little blue fish) are very upset about his behaviour and don't want to play with him anymore. As the story unfolds the fish must find a way to make the other fish play with him and be his friend. A book covering sharing and friendships. If you share the story at home and discuss this at home too it will support learning and discover ways to share with your friends even more.



Shoes and hats

Please could we request that your child's shoes are closed toe shoes such as a trainer or pumps to ensure that they can play safely outside without the hazard of tripping and hurting their toes. The children have different surfaces to play on at Nursery both inside and outside and closed toes shoes means they can play safely on all surfaces and the shoes give a better balance when using balance equipment and climbing apparatus.



Bags

Children's bags and spare clothing need to be labelled with your child's name, so we can easily identify who the clothing, bags, hats, shoes etc belong too. When a popular theme such as paw patrol hits the market 12 children could all have the same item all desperately claiming it to be theirs. This makes it very difficult for the staff member who is trying to remember who wore that hat on a particular day. Items clearly named makes life easy. The name of your child written on the outside of their bag really helps

us too. If you could also just put your child's bag in the block unit and not their peg it helps with all the coats on the coat hangers not be filled with bags. Can you please also check your bags for wet clothing as children do get wet playing as well as from wee accidents. Thank you



Staff news

I am sure you have all noticed that Lauren has been wearing a pink t-shirt over the last few months and yes, she is now the room leader of the toddlers and pre-school room. I am sure you will all join in with saying "Congratulations Lauren" well done.

We also have, as we are increasing in numbers, other new staff so welcome to Tiffany and Lucy who are working in the Pre-school room with Lauren, a new cook Nic who is hiding most of the time in the kitchen, Tabiba (known as Grandma by the children) who comes in during the day to support the core times also Frankie who is currently on sick leave. All the staff have settled quickly and are creating wonderful ideas and activities for your children to enjoy whilst they learn. We would like to welcome them all to our team at Bushfield. You may receive an update soon on your child's keyworker for the next academic year. Also, Hazel has now moved to one of the other stars Nurseries in Peterborough we would like to wish her lots of luck in her new role.

Yoga

If your child starts talking about a Tatty coming to nursery it is our new Yoga classes, we are having for the children. Sue and Tatty come to visit both the baby and the pre-school room once a fortnight and tells the children a story about Tatty(an organic rag doll) and her adventures whilst the children do warm up exercises and movement during the story which are actual yoga poses then at the end they have a relaxation few minutes to music. It is a very stimulating time and the children just love taking part. The whole session is also linked to the Early Years Foundation Stage, so they are learning and meeting goals at the same time. We will continue this term to invite Sue and Tatty to join us at Bushfield we couldn't possibly let the children miss all that fun and learning!!! Happy Summer to everyone from the Bushfield Team.

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