

Dunkys Day Nursery

October/November Newsletter 2017

Room News...

Babies

Our babies have been exploring light and sound.

As the evenings are getting darker earlier we have been using our mood light cube that lights up in different soft colours that the children can explore the shimmer blocks on as it changes colour. We also have a special light that reacts to sound, which the children are really enjoying making it light up! Why not come in and see, if we don't have them out just ask as they are so much fun.

Toddler

As you know our toddler and pre-school room have swapped around.

The toddlers are having great fun exploring their new environment and creating lovely resources for their new displays.

We would love to hear some feedback on what you think of the rooms, please feel free to fill out a parent comments and suggestions and pop it in the box in reception.

Pre-School

As you know our toddler and pre-school rooms have swapped around, this is due to increasing numbers with in the nursery.

The pre-school children are settling in well to their new environment and creating lovely work – what do you think? Please feel free to fill out a suggestions and comments form from reception.

The pre-school children have also been learning about sounds. They made some fantastic listening ears and have used them in the garden and in the reception area to see what different sounds they could hear.

Festivals & Events

October Events

9th October – Autumn day. All children will be looking at different things Autumn related- colours, weather and animals. Our pre-school children will also be hoping to take part in an Autumn walk.

18th October – Diwali. Today we will be starting Diwali celebrations. Also known as the festival of lights, the children will be creating their own lanterns that will be used to decorate the nursery. We will also be enjoying a vegetable and lentil curry followed by kheer.

23rd - 27th October – HALF TERM. During the half term week we will also be holding an open week for new families and visitors to come and look at the nursery and the activities that we do.

30th October – Wear orange to nursery. Today we will be exploring the colour orange. The children will be taking part in different activities that are orange playdough, paint and orange cakes! We will also be exploring pumpkins ready for tomorrow.

31st October – Wizards ball. Come along in fancy dress and enjoy the party to celebrate Halloween.

3rd & 6th November – Bonfire tea party. The children will be creating some lovely bonfire night artwork and having hotdogs and parkin for tea!

7th November – Photo day. Online portraits will be here to take the photographs. If your child does not attend on this day and you would like their picture taken please see Tracy.

11th November – staff recognition awards. We will be holding our first awards to celebrate the hard work all our teams put in through out the year. Nomination forms are on the doors of the rooms. Please nominate and show the team what they mean to you. Please have forms to Tracy by 27th October. Feel free to vote for as many of the team as you want!

30th November – St Andrews day. The children will be learning all about the Scottish holiday and taking part in a variety of different activities, we will also be enjoying a tea of Scotch broth.



Happy Birthday!

October

- Brooklyn D
- Isla O
- Angelin S
- Callum W

November

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| Darcy D | Charlotte S |
| Mason S | Archie S |
| Rosie W | Dylan L |
| Ella P | Lucy G |



Recipe corner...
Cowboy pie..

Ingredients:

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| Sausages | Onions |
| Peeled potatoes | Baked Beans |
| Cheese | |

Method:

- Cook sausages, cool and cut into strips
- Fry onions
- Boil potatoes and mash
- Put sausages into an oven proof dish and add a layer of onions
- Add a layer of baked beans
- Top with mashed potatoes
- Sprinkle cheese on top
- Bake in the oven for 30 mins
- Enjoy!



Congratulations!

We would like to share some very exciting news with our families that Jayne from babies and Cristina from toddlers are both expecting babies! They are both due late February so we will of course keep you all posted!

Crafts for Christmas

We will be holding our Christmas craft day on Saturday 9th December from 11am until 1pm.

This is a lovely opportunity for you to come along and take part in different Christmas crafts with your children and the staff from Nursery.

There will be many activities going on that you can enjoy and it wouldn't be complete without Turkey and stuffing rolls, mince pies and Christmas music.

This is open to all our family's past and present, and please feel free to bring along friends and families to take part too!



We recently held our first parent partnership meeting with our parent reps for the nursery. This went very well with many ideas expressed on how we can drive the nursery forward, what we could do differently and fundraising events.

If you would like to bring anything up at the next meeting please ask your key person who the parent reps are for their room. We will be putting pictures on each door of who our reps are, so keep an eye out!