



February Newsletter

We are pleased to bring you February's newsletter, sharing with you some of the children's activities and areas of learning along with tips on how to support learning at home

INTRODUCING OUR NEW BABY ROOM LEADER - BILLIE



It is with great pleasure that we introduce you to our new Baby Room leader **Billie Daly**, who has joined us. As Room Leader based in The Baby Room.

Billie comes with extensive childcare experience at room leader and management level, gained at previous childcare settings. She is passionate about childcare and Under Two Years in particular. She will be introducing herself to parents at drop offs and collections from this week and will be arranging a 'Stay and Play Session' soon for all parents with Babies in the room to come and join in

Best wishes

Sharon Avery
Nursery Manager

Tina Evans
Deputy Manager

WHATS HAPPENING THIS MONTH IN THE BABY ROOM & CATERPILLAR ROOMS



MEANS OF TRANSPORT



During February the **Baby Room** and **Caterpillar Room** will be learning about Transport.

The children will participate in activities such as car painting, boats in the water tray, transport junk modelling and talking about road safety.



Car painting allows the children to experiment and create with what is set in front of them. Children learn to make marks with intent, develop personal, social, and emotional skills, take turns, and develop communication and language about their creation.



Boats in the water help to develop children's gross motor skills by pouring, filling, picking up items and splashing.



Flash cards are a great way to introduce the children to new words and how to use them.



Matching games helps to ingrain the new vocabulary by repeating and correcting pronunciation, Matching also helps with visual memory, focus and pattern recognition. This all helps with the children's early maths skills.

To support children's learning, parents could make sure that they point out different types of transport when out and about and reinforce road safety.

Singing songs like "Wheels on the Bus" will enhance communication and language skills.

BABY ROOM AND CATERPILLAR ROOM BOOKS OF THE MONTH



WHATS HAPPENING THIS MONTH IN THE BUTTERFLY ROOM

The **Butterfly Class** will be learning about different food and drink. We will be looking at healthy and non-healthy foods, where food comes from and different foods from different countries.

We have a role play café for the children to explore. This will invite the children to talk and organise their play whilst they take on different roles in the café.

The children will build their personal, social and emotional development by working together to bake some cakes and biscuits.

Singing songs such as "The 5 Current Buns" will reinforce their maths skills.

The children will be using our new Market stand stocked with a variety of fresh produce to help with their understanding of food from around the world.

Parents can support their child's learning by engaging them with the shopping list (perhaps making a visual one for them), along with a discussion about which country the foods originate from.

You could also ask your child to choose an exciting new fruit or vegetable from the supermarket to try at dinner time.

You could also involve your child in food preparation.



BUTTERFLY ROOM BOOKS OF THE MONTH



OTHER ACTIVITIES COMING UP THAT WE WILL BE CELEBRATING



Chinese New Year
The nursery will be celebrating Chinese New Year on **Friday 9th February**, children are invited to wear **RED** as a sign of good luck.

Shrove Tuesday
We will also be celebrating Pancake Day / Shrove Tuesday **13th February** and St Valentines Day.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 28th March** - Easter celebration
- 11th April** - Visiting Photographer
- 19th July** - Preschool Graduation

POLITE REMINDERS

Please ensure your child comes to nursery fully prepared for their nursery day. Please provide 2 sets of spare clothes, appropriate outer wear, footwear, and nappies.

Millwood House will provide everything else to ensure a fun filled day.

