



# Felcott Road Newsletter

#### **APRIL 2024**

The children have had a wonderful March and have all been very busy. Take a look at what they have been up to and will be doing in April...

#### This Month:

#### Hedgehogs:

This month we have made Welsh scones for St. Davids's Day, we celebrated World Book Day by making bear hunt sensory bags and a Hungry Caterpillar tuff tray. Embracing the joy of community, we launched our baby groups. We made pink and red sensory baskets for International Women's Day. We had a Mother's Day stay-and-play craft party and embarked on a journey of cultural exploration through Ramadan crafts. Our Easter bonnet parade that brought smiles to all!

#### **Butterflies:**

**Event** 

This month we have celebrated books and stories. We created our own Elmer the Elephants and spent time in the communication cabin. We have started looking at Easter, making our own chicks and Easter banners. We celebrated Red Nose Day and made red velvet cupcakes along with a crazy hair day.

#### Little Toads:

In March the children made some lovely gifts for Mother's Day. They enjoyed making pictures of different Welsh things for St. David's Day and took part in Red Nose Day activities. The children really enjoyed their visit from the animals of Spirt of the Wild and some even held them! The children celebrated Easter with some fun Easter activities including an Easter egg hunt.

#### **Badgers and Owls:**

Throughout this month, the preschoolers have immersed themselves in a range of engaging activities around dental care, deepening their understanding of oral health. Thank you to our parent who works as a dentist who gave a special talk to the children.

The children were really excited to see and hold a variety of animals brought in by Spirit of the Wild, some of them were very brave and held a large spider! We shared a range of activities during our Mother's Day stay and play, including making crowns for our mums. For World Book Day the children drew their favorite book cover and acted out a familiar story in the role play. Owls have been counting to 20 and recognizing numbers and Badgers have been using different media to copy numbers.

# Next Month: Hedgehogs:

The children will be having a red and white themed St. Georges Day tea party, learning about life cycles with natural resources and celebrating Autism Awareness Day with themed sensory baskets. They will be doing all things rainbow and sparkle-themed for Unicorn Day and having an Eid stay and play. For National Sibling Day we will be making our own sibling collages and making portraits of our animals for National Pet Day. The children will be taking part in some junk modeling for Earth Day.

#### **Butterflies:**

In April we will be looking at life cycles and the life cycles of butterflies, creating our own caterpillars and butterflies. We will be celebrating Eid and having a stay-and-play, making our own lanterns.

#### **Little Toads:**

In April the children will be looking at the life cycles of animals and plants. They will be reading The Very Hungry Caterpillar and talking about how he changes. We will be looking at starting to plant the seeds in our nursery allotment. There will be a special stay-and-play event in honour of Eid, where we will be indulging in delightful Eid-themed activities, and towards the end of the month we plan to have a tea party for St. George's Day!

#### **Badgers and Owls:**

Next month we will be having a French lesson with one of our preschool parents. We will be learning about Ramadan and doing some activities based on this theme. The children will be helping to change the outside house into a garden centre. The children will be exploring life cycles and how things grow - we plan to plant cress and watch how it grows.

## Dates for your diary

**Date** 

9<sup>th</sup> April Eid Stay and Play 9.30am-11.00am

17<sup>th</sup> April Parents breakfast 8.00am-9.00am

23<sup>rd</sup> April St. Georges day tea party 3.00pm-5.00pm

25<sup>th</sup> April Parent forum 6.00pm-7.00pm

# Parent Training Evening

This month we held a training session for both staff and parents around the subject of "Behavior as a form of Communication". Thank you to all our parents who attended. We hope you found the training as enlightening as the staff and we look forward to holding future events.

## **Pamper Evening**

Thank you to the mums who came along for our Pamper Evening. We had an amazing time. It was lovely to see you all enjoying some child-free time and self-care. We would also like to thank you all for supporting the local small businesses who gave their time to come along and see you.



### **Child Safety**

We've noticed some parents are letting adults into the building who are unknown to Toad Hall, such as delivery men, taxi drivers, etc. I cannot stress enough that the safety of the children is paramount. Please ask them to wait outside and find a member of staff in the office who will help the adult.

## Registers

As you may be aware, we have reverted to asking parents to sign their children in and out of the nursery. This is our way of ensuring you have signed responsibility over to us or accepted it back at the end of the day. The staff should be on hand with the signing-in and out form but please can I ask you to assist them in completing this. Without your signature, we are unable to accept any responsibility for your child.

### **Staff Celebrations**

A massive well done to Lucy, Ingrid, Beckie and Rebekah for renewing their Pediatric and First Aid at Work this month! We have had some lovely events held at nursery this month from Mother's Day Tea Party, Spirit of the Wild, Training Sessions, Easter Bonnet Parade, Comic Relief, Pamper Evenings, and Talks from one of our parents who works as a dentist. Here are a few snaps from the rooms:







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