

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

This month:

Hedgehogs have been focusing on the theme of festivals and celebrations. They have celebrated the Lunar New Year and Valentine's Day. They have used their tuff tray to make love potions and have iced biscuits to give to their loved ones. The children enjoyed creating hedgehogs from clay and lollipop sticks on Hedgehog Day. They also made tastesafe yogurt paint for the children to mark make with.

Butterflies celebrated Lunar New Year by making their own dragons and exploring a lunar tuff tray. The children enjoyed celebrating Valentine's Day by having a Valentine's Day tea party and making their own love hearts to share. The children created their own stamp and heart paintings on National Hippo Day.

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Little Toads celebrated the Lunar New Year by making dragon masks and practicing their chopstick skills. The children also enjoyed a wonderful Valentine's Day tea party! They loved having their parents with them to join in all the activities. They enjoyed icing biscuits and making love potions.

Badgers and Owls looked at random acts of kindness, and both preschool rooms thought about what nice things they would like to say to the staff. They went round the nursery and each staff member got to pick out a nice quote to brighten up their day. Some of the children went down to the local shops to deliver some thank you cards to them to show our appreciation for them! The children made pizzas for International Pizza Day and enjoyed choosing their toppings. The children enjoyed a Valentine's Day tea party. One of the parents who is a dentist visited the children to talk about how to look after their teeth. For the Lunar New Year, we sampled some lovely Chinese food and some noodle play where the children practiced using chopsticks.

Next month:

Hedgehogs will be celebrating Saint David's Day and making their own Daffodils. They will also look at International Women's Day as well as Mother's Day. The children will explore colours when they look at Ramadan and end the month with Easter-themed activities such as an Easter bonnet parade.

Butterflies will be celebrating Mother's Day and creating cards and presents for the special people in their lives. They will also be taking part in a bear hunt scavenger hunt around the garden!

Little Toads are excited to see all the animals that will be visiting us from Spirit of the Wild. They will be making Daffodil pictures and learning about Saint David's Day. We are excited for our mums to join us at our tea party and share our wonderful activities with you.

Badgers and Owls will have a wildlife day and will be looking at different animals and insects, where they live, and what they eat. One of our parents will be visiting to give the children a French lesson. We will be having a Mother's Day tea party and hope to see you all there. The children will be looking at different patterns and recreating them with different media.

Dates for your diary

Event Date

Spirit of The wild visit (Little Toads and Preschool)

Easter Bonnet Parade

Parent Training Evening

Following a great response from our survey, I have booked Laura Douglas to deliver a training session on "Behaviour as a form of communication". The session will be in person and will run between 6.30-7.30 pm on **Thursday 14th March**. Please let me know if wish to attend, we really hope for a good turnout to provide further training sessions in the future.

Pamper Evening

Our pamper evening is back! Please pop along on the evening of the 12th of March between 6.15 pm and 7.30 pm to spoil yourself with some relaxing goodies! We have a wide range of visitors coming in, offering freebies whilst some will offer on-the-spot mini treatments. This is also a great chance to mingle with other parents! We hope you can join us!

Child Safety

Please ensure you don't let adults who are unknown to Toad Hall Nursery into the building, such as delivery men, taxi drivers, etc. The children's safety here is paramount. If in doubt, please close the door and find a member of staff in the office who will help them.

Easter Bonnet Parade

As Easter is just around the corner, we thought we would remind you of our annual Easter bonnet parade on 28th March. There will be a prize for the best homemade bonnet per age group! Time to get your creative juices flowing!

Staff Celebrations

A massive well done to our amazing Shannon who completed her Level 3 this month and moved from a Modern Apprentice to a Nursery Nurse role! We are all very proud of you, well done!

We would also like to say a massive well done to Beckie, Rebekah, Ingrid, and Lucy who refreshed their First Aid skills.





Kind Regards

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