

Welcome

Thank you for taking the time to read our July newsletter. In June we have been busy growing plants and preparing our sensory garden ready for exploration. The Children in Pre-school have been busy with school readiness, and we have enjoyed hearing all about some of our families' lovely holidays.

Take a look at some of the highlights from last month and what we have planned ahead.

What's to come...



Graduation – Saturday 18th July 26

The big day is nearly here. Please can we ask that the Pre-school children arrive at nursery at 8.45 am for the graduation to begin at 9 am. We kindly ask that only adults attend the presentation part of the graduation and siblings are welcome from 10 am for the party.

New Menu

The children have been eagerly trying our brand-new Sumer Menu, exploring the fresh, healthy dishes. Please let us know if the children give you any feedback about their meals.



What we have been up to...

Hedgehogs have been gently exploring the world of growing herbs and vegetables alongside our new menu. From planting seeds to watching green shoots appear, each stage has offered a sensory rich experience that supports curiosity, awareness and early understanding of where food comes from.

Butterflies and Little Toads have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. They have been very excitedly watching their caterpillars growing and can't wait to see them become a butterflies! They have also been enjoying their visits from *Jazz Hands*. Their favourite song is called *Spring Chickens*.



Owls have enjoyed their Father's Day Sports Day. They had lots of different games such as sack races and egg and spoon races. They have also been busy exploring and building on their learning with their numeracy skills, through using numbers in play throughout their day and in games.

Parent Notices

Staff notices

We have been welcoming some new faces to the team who are excited to meet you all. EJ has joined us as our new housekeeper busy keeping the nursery looking beautiful. Also joining us is Ella, who is joining us as a Modern Apprentice, and Maryham and Jess are our new supply staff. They are all enjoying meeting you all.

Summer Family Fun Day

We are excited to announce we are having our Family Fun Day on Saturday 1st August from 10 till 2. We will be holding some dress up days throughout July to raise donations towards the day. Please check the dates for your diary section.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
6th July 26	Donations for Adult tombola
14th July 26	Donations of Chocolate and sweets/treats jars.
17 th July 26	End of Term
18 th July 26	Graduation Day
23 rd July 26	Donations for children's tombola
31 st July 26	Pyjama dress up day - Home made/Shop brought cakes
1 st August 26	Summer Family Fun Day

Recipe of the Month

Salmon, butterbean and potato gratin

Ingredients

- 500g boneless, skinless salmon fillets (fresh or frozen)
- 400g potatoes cooked and mashed
- 800g tinned butterbeans
- 200g frozen peas
- 200g sweetcorn
- 400g spinach
- 150g grated cheese
- 250 ml milk

Method

1. Cook salmon and thoroughly check for bones whilst flaking the fish.
2. In a saucepan, gently heat the milk, then add frozen peas, sweetcorn, spinach.
3. Simmer gently for 5-7 minutes until the veg is soft and heated through.
4. Let cool slightly, then blend until smooth using a hand blender or jug blender to create a creamy, bright green sauce.
5. In a large mixing bowl or dish, combine the cooked potatoes (lightly mashed), carefully flaked salmon and the beans.
6. Pour over the blended veg sauce and gently mix until everything is well coated.
7. Transfer the mixture into a large ovenproof baking dish, sprinkle the grated cheese evenly over the top.
8. Bake in a preheated oven at 180°C / 350°F for 20-25 minutes, or until the top is golden and bubbling.

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