

AUGUST NEWS



Bambinos Day Nursery & Pre-School

Plymouth City



Dates for your diary

Holidays and Closures:

- Monday 26th August- Bank Holiday Nursery Closure

Other:

- Monday 26th August- Friday 30th August Children will only be entitled to half of their regular funding entitlement, if additional sessions are required please book via Pebble.
- Throughout August we will be celebrating the Olympics!

Don't forget to follow our Social Media:



Dear Parents and Carers,

July has been a very busy month within the nursery. We had a lovely time celebrating our children who will be going to school in September. We are immensely proud of every individual child and cannot wait to see how they flourish through their next journey to school.

During the month of August, each room will be booking parents' evenings, which will be a lovely chance for everyone to talk and share all of the lovely things their children have been getting up to. It is also a fantastic opportunity to spend some time getting to know your child's key worker. If you are not able to attend, please let us know, and we will arrange a time that is more suitable for you.

Kelly and Tiana

Colleague Spotlight

Faz has always gone above and beyond for children, staff, and parents in the nursery. She is a very loving and bubbly practitioner who always goes the extra mile.



Recent Training

Faz recently completed her Psychological Demand Avoidance course and will use it to continue her amazing work as our SENCO.



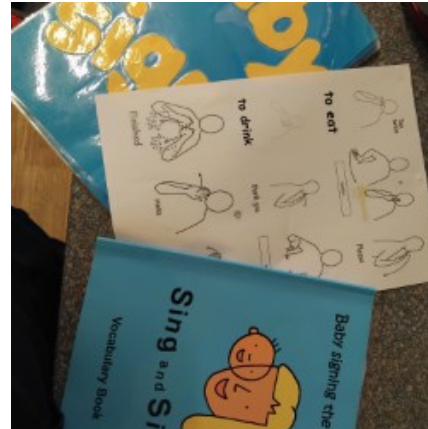


The Nest

The babies in The Nest have been enjoying baby massage. The massage has been creating calm and relaxing environments, allowing the babies to build trust and secure attachments with caregivers. This is crucial for their social and emotional well-being and really helps the babies relax and enjoy the massage sessions.

Continue at home

Incorporate baby massage into your daily routine, such as after bath time or before bedtime. This helps create a sense of calm and security for your baby. Using calming music and lavender scented bubble bath can add different experiences to this.



The Nook

The Nook has been embedding sing-and-sign sessions during our Fika time in the mornings. They actively engage with the musical activities, showing confidence in vocal expression and rhythmic participation. They are all confident, showing an understanding of the signs being used during the songs, and some are having a go at using the signs to communicate.

Continue at home

Add Makaton into your daily routines. For example, use signs for "milk," "eat," "bath," "sleep," and "more" during relevant activities. This reinforces the signs in a practical context. Mr Tumble is fantastic for everyday signs!



The Atelier

This month, the children in our Atelier room have been thoroughly enjoying exploring *The Colour Monster*, a book that helps children understand and express their emotions. Building on their interest, we have engaged the children in various activities designed to deepen their understanding of different emotions.

One key activity involved the children choosing an emotion and creating a special bag for it. They then explored the room, gathering items that made them feel that emotion. Afterwards, the children came together to share what they had collected and discuss why those items evoked certain feelings.

Continue at home

Create emotion bags at home using simple items like paper bags or small boxes. Encourage your child to decorate a bag for each emotion (happy, sad, angry, etc.), and then gather items from around the house that represent these feelings. Discuss why each item was chosen.



The Academy

This month, our Academy children had an exciting and unforgettable visit from "The Bug Man." Their natural curiosity was in full swing as they engaged with a fascinating range of animals, including a gecko, chameleon, chickens, guinea pigs, spiders, snakes, cockroaches, a praying mantis, and many more. The experience sparked a deep interest in wildlife among the children, leading to a variety of related activities. Since the visit, they have enjoyed going on bug hunts around the garden, eagerly searching for insects and learning about their habitats. They've also channelled their creativity by making nature-inspired art and crafting pictures in the shape of different mini-beasts.

Continue at home

To further nurture your child's interest in wildlife and nature, explore your garden or a nearby park with your child, looking for insects and small creatures. Bring along a magnifying glass for a closer look and talk about the different types of bugs you find.



YOGHURT BARK

Ingredients

500g Greek yoghurt (this can be substituted for soya yoghurt if vegan)
3 figs, roughly chopped
150g raspberries
Pinch of ground cinnamon

Serves 6

Instructions

1. Line a large baking tray with greaseproof paper and spread the yogurt over the paper in an even layer.
2. Add your toppings, distributing them evenly over the yogurt. Freeze for 2 hours or until solid.
3. Carefully peel the paper away and break the yogurt into pieces. They can be frozen for up to 3 months.

BOOKS TO READ IN AUGUST

Here are some delightful books that are perfect for summer time reading.

- The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear
- What The Ladybird Heard
- Goodnight Moon
- The Rhythm of the Rain