



April Update!

Buttercup

Buttercup have recently been exploring seasons, special occasions and upcoming events. Some of these include Mother's Day and the start of spring where we explored the outdoors during local walks and garden play. We planted lots of flowers in the garden and some of the children chose to plant some flowers to take home. This also led on to mark making as the children were super creative and made a variety of marks on the plant pots.

We have also explored Ramadan. The children looked at the moon, the sun and the stars and we spoke about the break of fast (day & night). We further explored Ramadan through exploring festivals celebrated such as Holi. For this we looked at coloured chalk paint encouraging the children to develop their senses, fine motor skills and their awareness of the wider world around them



Buttercup are going onto explore more occasions such as Easter, Penguin day, Earth day and St George day. We will explore these through a variety of messy play experiences to encourage creativity, fine motor skills and cognitive development. We will also explore the outdoors further, exploring the seasons and looking after and watching our plants grow 🌱

Daisy

Daisy room have been exploring spring time with a focus on Easter. This has included lots of themed arts and craft activities and some fun filled tuff trays. The Daisy Room have enjoyed lots of spring time walks. We have enjoyed looking and smelling the different flowers and spotting lots of different birds.

We are starting to introduce the subject of weather and what we need to wear. For example sun hats and sunglasses for our sunny days and wellington boots and rain jackets for our wet and windy days.

The daisy children are growing and building in confidence with identifying colours and counting.

Snowdrop

Snowdrop room have been learning all about spring events, such as flowers blooming and baby animals being born. We have been using technology and books to learn more about the baby animals and we have been making some art images of the things we have observed and the things we have learned and displaying these within our play room. We have also been planting some wildflowers which we have been watching grow and taking good care of them. We plan to be going on some nice spring walks to observe the growing leaves and flowers within the local area.

Bluebell

Bluebell room have been exploring all the different events that have been happening this past month such as pancake day where we cooked and designed our own pancakes, mother's day where we got to speak about all our emotions and related these to different things including colours which lead us onto our colour week! We are currently exploring Easter and have been doing lots of arts and crafts and even going to be doing an Easter egg hunt! Additionally, the children have been helping with picking lots of new resources for our new room and have even been through to the room to look at all our new furniture and gave suggestions on where they would like each area and what they would like to see within it. We are all very excited!

Staffing Update

We advertised internally with our senior members of staff to fill a Lead Quality Assurance Practitioner post for our under 3 age group.

I am delighted to announce that Teigan and Chelsea both put themselves forward for the post and will now be sharing the responsibility of this position.

PURPOSE OF POST: To assist with the co-ordination and delivery of a quality childcare provision in accordance with all relevant legislation and meeting customer requirements. To support and assist the delivery of new developments within the Nursery.

We have appointed Chloe McCole as a senior nursery practitioner for our Bluebell Room to work alongside Hannah.

Claire Kelly has joined us as a nursery support worker and is working in the Snowdrop Room.

Sophie Anderson has joined the Daisy Team as a modern apprentice and is working with us on a Monday and Thursday till the summer when she will be joining us full time.

Claire Conkey was successful in her interview and is joining us as a modern apprentice from the beginning of May. Claire will be working in the Snowdrop Room.

Kelsey Duncan has joined the Buttercup team as a modern apprentice.

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Demi Doran has joined the Bluebell team as a modern apprentice. Demi will be joining us later this month.

Danielle has returned to the nursery on a phased basis. She will be gradually building up her hours in the nursery once her final treatment ends. We are looking forward to having Danielle back in the nursery full time.

COVID 19

Please continue to adhere to our preventative measures in place at the nursery. Please use the hand sanitiser available, wear a face covering at drop off and pick up and keep a 2 metre distance.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We hope you find this interesting and please do speak with a member of staff if you would like further details or if you would like to comment or make suggestions for future topics.