



May/June update!

Buttercup

Buttercup have been enjoying lots of outdoor learning and exploring. We have enjoyed water and sand play both indoors and out this has helped us develop our fine and gross motor skills. We have also been exploring colours through messy play, body painting, sensory items and much more. This is encouraging the children to develop their senses, creativity, cognitive awareness, literacy, fine and gross motor skills. ♥

Daisy

Daisy children have shown a lot more interest in our house corner recently, we have therefore made this area bigger so that more children can enjoy this at the same time. Playing in the house corner and with our dolls allows the child to role play. We also love action songs and dancing, some of our favourite songs to play through alexa are 'down in the jungle', 'row, row, row your boat', 'sleeping bunnies and of course 'baby shark'. We have also been working on our manners at mealtimes reminding the children to use please and thank you. The daisy children are getting very good at counting and we often practise counting from 0-10.

Snowdrop

Snowdrop have been focusing lots on our sticker system with our traffic lights, which seems to be working well! We have been enjoying caring for babies, washing, and drying them and chatting lots about how we care for them. Jumping and balancing on tyres in the garden has been a great interest too. 😊

Bluebell

Bluebell children have been enjoying lots of outdoor play, learning how to co-ordinate our bodies and use the equipment and play games safely and being aware of the space around us. We are also still enjoying looking after our plants and flowers in the garden. This week we have planted two new pumpkin plants to our growing collection.

Sun cream

As the nicer weather is approaching can we please ask that all children arrive at nursery with sun cream already applied. We will throughout the day reapply the sun cream where necessary. If your child requires a specific sun cream, please provide this to the nursery clearly labelled. **These items must remain in the nursery where possible.**

Periods of Notice

If your child is leaving us to move on to school or nursery school, please ensure you send in your period of notice letter to the office to allow us to finalise your account. We require 4 weeks-notice for all notice periods.

Summer Holiday Dates

Can you please provide any dates your child/ren will not be attending the nursery during the summer months to allow our staff to book time off and to allow us to staff the nursery accordingly.

Staffing Update

Sadly, this month we are saying goodbye to Katie. We would like to wish Katie all the very best in her future.

We would like to congratulate Nicole on her successful appointment as room Senior for the Daisy Room. Nicole and Chelsea will share the senior responsibilities.

We would also like to congratulate Karyn on her successful appointment of Deputy Manager. Danielle will continue to deputise for Lynn with Karyn supporting within the deputy role.

And congratulations to Daniel who has been appointment Room Lead Practitioner for the 3-5 rooms.

Introducing Mya who joined the team in March and Alannah who joined in April.

Hi, my name is Mya and I'm a support worker in the Daisy Room. I've always wanted to work within childcare and growing up with 4 nephews and a niece I've had loads of practice! I'm so happy to have been given this opportunity and I've loved meeting all the children and parents and forming bonds and I'm looking forward to meeting more of you guys soon!

Hello, my name is Alannah, I am a mum of two and have just completed a degree in Public Sociology. I have decided to retrain to work in childcare as early education is something I am particularly passionate about. I have enjoyed getting to know all the children in Bluebell over the last few weeks and look forward to getting them ready and supporting them as they transition to school

COVID 19

To help us deliver a successful programme for our nursery community we would ask that all parents and carers continue to follow the COVID 19 regulations and follow those requirements to the letter.

In particular, if anyone within your domestic bubble/household/support network is being tested for COVID 19, the whole household/bubble/network MUST self-isolate until either 10 days have elapsed if the PCR test is positive, or the PCR test returns a negative result. No child should attend Almond Park Nursery whilst a test is underway, and the results are unknown.

Following this process will help ensure the whole Almond Park extended family is kept as safe as possible whilst COVID 19 remains within our wider community.

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.