



SOME OF THE BABIES EXPLORING SPLASHING, POURING AND DRIPS IN THE WATER!



Sunny Days
Children's Nursery

Lickhill Road

Newsletter,

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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to our February Newsletter, we are really happy with how all of the children have settled back into the nursery as we have lots more fun and learning to happen this month!

Makaton sign language

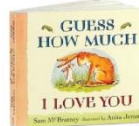
The children are doing very well with learning the new signs is month our signs will be 'love' and 'listen'. It is so important that every child needs to be listened to and is regularly told that they are loved. This helps them feel valued and supports positive self-esteem and attachments!

Please look in your child's tray and in the nursery for the signs we will be learning and how to use them. Remember always sign and say!



Story and Rhyme of the Month

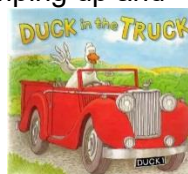
As it is Valentine's Day is this month the story in the Poppies room will be a 'Guess how much I love you'. This is a lovely little book to share together.



They will be singing 'I love you, you love me, we're a happy family, with a great big hug and a kiss from me to you, will you say you love me too!'

The Tulips room will be focusing on transport this month, as we turn the role play into a Garage. Their book will be 'Duck in the Truck' written by Jez Alborough.

The rhyme is 'Jumping up and Down on a Big Blue Tractor!'



tell us which have been activities they enjoy. We found they mainly included singing and communication. This means the staff have been following gestures, pointing and non-verbal cues from the babies and really tuning in to what they are saying – even without words! They are all such clever babies.

Tulips Room

The children have been learning all about their feelings and how others feel too using the puppets, stories and situations as they arise. This supports the children's understanding of their own feelings and also the affect they can have on others.

Half Term – funded weeks

Our last day of term will be Friday 12th February. We have one week off and return Monday 22nd February.

Outdoor Clothing

It's the time for hats, gloves and warm coats. We go out in all weathers. Please make sure that your child has appropriate clothing for outdoors!

★ **Happy Birthday!!!**

Joshua 22nd ★

Kung Hei Fat Choy - Happy Chinese New Year!

As we enter the year of the monkey we will be teaching the children about some of the different ways that New Year can be celebrated! Karen will be making Sweet and Sour Chicken and Rice!

We will be making pancakes on Tuesday 9th to celebrate Pancake Day!

What is your favourite filling...sweet or savoury!

National World Book Day

Dress as your favourite character from your favourite book on Thursday March 3rd. Will you be a Gruffalo, Peter Rabbit or Maisy Mouse!

Attendance/Illness

Please let us know if your child is going to be absent – all children's attendance will now be recorded and monitored as part of our Ofsted requirements

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Happy Valentine's Day 14th February! Heart shaped biscuits

Ingredients

- 150 g butter, at room temperature
- 75 g caster sugar
- 225 g plain flour

To decorate

- icing sugar
- edible glitter
- sugar roses

1. Dice the butter into a big bowl. Tip in the flour, sugar and a pinch of salt. Gently rub in the butter with your fingertips and bring the dough together into a ball. Wrap in cling film and chill in the fridge for 15 minutes.

2. Preheat the oven to 170Cgas 4.

3. Turn the dough out onto a floured surface and roll to about ½ cm thick. Cut out heart shapes with a biscuit cutter and lay on a lined baking sheet. Bake for 15-25 minutes, until light golden. Leave to cool on a rack.

4. To decorate the biscuits, mix together few tablespoons of icing sugar with enough water to make a paste. Spread the icing onto the biscuits, or drizzle over in lattice patterns. You can then dip the biscuits into edible glitter, or use a little icing to glue on sugar roses.