



**NURSERY IS ALL ABOUT MAKING FRIENDS
AND HAVING FUN!**



**Lickhill Road
Newsletter,
March 2016**

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to our March Newsletter, there are lots of fun and exciting events happening this month so look out for posters in the nursery!

World Book Day!

The children are invited to dress up as a character from their favourite book on March the 3rd to have some fun with us on World Book Day!

We will be sharing stories, talking about our favourite books and characters and encouraging the children to write or draw a picture about them.

What's your favourite book?

Talk with your child at home, spend 10 minutes sharing their favourite book, perhaps before bedtime.

Story and Rhyme of the Month

The children are showing a real interest in vehicles at the moment so this month the story in the Poppies room will be a 'Big Digger'. Why not look out for cars, motorbikes and tractors while you are out and about?

They will be singing 'Row, row, row your boat!', this is a favourite of theirs. Sit opposite your child and sing face to face, they will love it!

The Tulips room will be focusing on Easter this month. Their book will be 'Where's Little Kitten?' by Lynn Heaton.

The rhyme is 'Hop little bunnies!' This is very active and great fun! Click on the following link or look on the Cbeebies website:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/something-special-sleeping-bunnies>

Poppies Room

In the Poppies room we have been developed some bags for you to borrow, which many of you have already. They include activities such as music, messy play and other sensory ideas. The feedback from parents has been fantastic!

Please ask your child's key person if you would like to borrow one.

Tulips Room

The children have been learning all about transport this month and have been enjoying looking out of the windows. We were really lucky when the man came to collect the skip and when an accident happened outside the nursery we took the opportunity to talk and learn about Fire Engine, the Police cars and the Ambulance!



This supported the children's understanding of the greater world!

Easter holidays – funded weeks

We will be closed Friday 25th and Monday 28th March for bank holidays either side of Easter weekend.

Funding finishes on Thursday 24th March and begins Monday 4th April.

★ Happy Birthday!!!

Charlie 3rd

Bobby 10th

Holly 31st



Happy Mother's Day!

We wish a happy mother's day to all of you lovely mummies! You are all doing a great job and make sure that you spend the day with your children enjoying yourself!

Happy St Patrick's Day to all of our Irish families!

Happy St David's Day to all of our Welsh families!

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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Share a skill

We are looking for parents who can come in and share a skill or interest with the children. This could be playing an instrument or gardening. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer to come in.

Next steps for your child

It has been proven that when nurseries and parents work together children can develop and learn and progress rapidly. We plan to share your child's next steps with you in a more formal way. We are trialing a new form with some willing parents, which we will send home so that you know exactly what we are supporting your child to do next. It is important that you give us some feedback especially on what you have noticed your child doing and new things they are learning as this all contributes to their learning and development.

Easter chick nests

Ingredients

200g milk chocolate, broken into pieces
85g shredded wheat, crushed
2 x 100g bags mini chocolate eggs

Cake cases

Melt the chocolate in a small bowl placed over a pan of barely simmering water. Pour the chocolate over the shredded wheat and stir well to combine.

Spoon the chocolate wheat into 12 cupcake cases and press the back of a teaspoon in the centre to create a nest shape. Place 3 mini chocolate eggs on top of each nest. Chill the nests in the fridge for 2 hours until set.



Happy Easter everyone!