



We have created some fantastic feasts using a variety of lovely, fresh ingredients. The 'Mud Kitchen Cafe' was open for business and we had lots of customers. The children wrote their own recipes and menus and we talked about various different methods of cooking!



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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you have enjoyed the occasional appearance of spring sunshine!

Bonnet Parade



Well done to the children and parents for making such wonderful Easter Bonnets. We were very proud showing them off at the Bonnet Parade at Lyneham primary school. The Easter bunny even made an appearance. Also a big thank you to all the parents and carers that came in to help make the bonnets and chat to their child's key person.

Concept Photography



Will be visiting us on Friday 12 May and taking children and family shots in the morning. We will also be trying to organise group and key group shots for the children.

Their photographs are beautiful and parents last year were really pleased. The pre-school also raised over £200 in commission, which enabled new equipment and toys to be purchased.

Letter and Sounds

At pre-school we focus on Phase One and over the school year we plan regular activities to support the 7 different aspects through child and adult led activities.

Each aspect is divided into 3 strands and develops children's ability to:

- Listen to sounds
- Listen and remember
- Talk about sounds

School Transition



We will be starting our school transition visits and working closely with local primary schools to support the pre-school children's move. Please let us know which Primary school your child will be attending in September so links can be made.

We are planning to visit Lyneham Primary school with small groups of pre-school children on different days spread over the term. Working in this way will allow all the pre-school children to benefit

from a few visits to the school. The reception teachers will also be visiting the pre-school to meet the children.

Stories of the Month

This term we will be continuing our interest in growth and planting vegetables and seeds in the garden. We will be reading 'Jack and the Beanstalk', 'Jim and The Beanstalk' and 'The Enormous Turnip'.



Rhyme of the Month

Five Little Speckled Frogs

Five little speckled frogs.

Sat on a speckled log.

Eating the most delicious bugs,
yum,yum.

One fell into the pool, where it was
nice and cool.

Now there are four green speckled
frogs, glub glub....

Song continues until there are
none!

Goodbye Vicki -

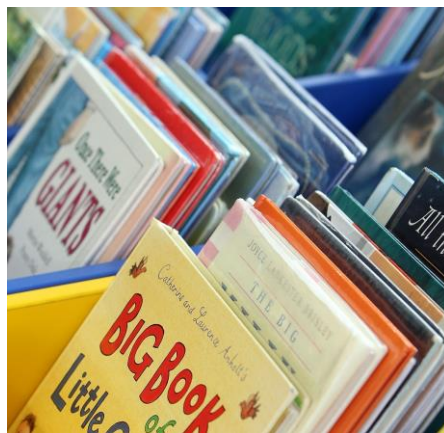


We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Vicky at the end of April. She is leaving us to further her career and taking a position as a Teaching Assistant at Lyneham Primary School. We would like to wish her well and

hope she will call in to visit as we will really miss her.

High Five Reading Challenge

We are encouraging parents and children to borrow 5 story sacks over the term and read together at home. When you return the sack to school you can collect stamps on their high five reading challenge sheet. All completed sheets will be entered into a draw to win a prize.



Bug Hunting

We have been carrying on with our interest in bug hunting. Why not explore your garden to see what mini beasts you can find?



Half Term

Please note our last day of term will be Friday 26th May, the children have one week off and return Monday 5th June.

Alliteration

This terms aspect is Alliteration and aims to develop children's understanding of alliteration and helps to tune children's ears to the relationships between the sound structures of words.

Singing rhymes and songs with alliterative lines such as 'Sing a Song of Sixpence' and playing with jingles such as 'Can you count the candles on the cake' help. Ultimately children need to be able to isolate the initial phoneme from the rest of the word (e.g to be able to say that 'nose' begins with the sound 'n'). Children need to have a wealth of experience of hearing words that begin with the same sound so it is important to keep practicing familiar tongue twisters or introduce more descriptive words when playing alongside them, for example 'juicy jelly', 'sizzling sausages' or 'chunky chips.'

Easy Quick Pizza

Ingredients:

1 packet puff pastry

1 medium chopped onion

Small tin tomato purée,

75g grated cheddar cheese,

Mushrooms, chopped ham, red or green peppers, olives, sweetcorn.

Method:

1. Roll out the pastry and use circle cutter to cut out pizza shape.
2. Spread tomato purée on the pastry shape and sprinkle on the toppings and cheese.

3. You can encourage your child to create faces or patterns with vegetables.
4. Place in oven at 180°C for 12-14 minutes, or until the pastry has risen and is golden brown in colour.
5. You can also use a bread roll bread to create a quick lunch idea
6. We find adding and using pieces of veg as the faces on the pizza is a great fun way to encourage children to try new food.

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