

# Kids Planet

Newsletter - Lymm

February 2016

## Nursery Manager's Welcome

We have another busy month planned at nursery and will be out and about in the local community even more, now that the weather is getting a little warmer. Please can all parents ensure their child has wellies, gloves and hats so we can play outdoors in all weathers.



# NURSERY NEWS



## February Events

### **National Storytelling Week**

**W/C Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February**

We will be taking part in this by reading our favourite stories, using story sacks and puppets and making cosy dens to read our stories in. Children are welcome to bring their favourite books in to share with their friends at story time, but please ensure their name is written inside.

### **Chinese New Year**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

We will be celebrating the year of the monkey by learning all about Chinese New Year, eating Chinese food, doing lots of themed craft activities and dancing to Chinese music. Some of our Pre School children will also be going on a trip to East Orient restaurant for lunch.

### **Pancake Day**

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February**

We will be making yummy pancakes to celebrate pancake day.

### **Valentines Day**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

We will be celebrating Valentines day by doing lots of themed craft activities and talking about the people we love.

### **Parent Drop In**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 6.30-7.30pm**

This is a chance for you to come and see what your child does while at nursery and have an informal chat with your child's key person. We will be providing information about maths activities for all age groups.

# Announcements



**Ballet** – Joanne is here on a Tuesday morning at 9.30am for children aged 18+. The session lasts for 45 minutes and is £3.50 per session

**Pyjama Drama**- Emma is here on a Thursday afternoon at 2pm for children aged 2-4 years. The session lasts for 45 minutes and is £2.50 per lesson

**Les Copains French** - Sabine is here on a Wednesday morning at 10.45am for children aged 2-4 years. The session lasts for 45 minutes and is £2.50 per lesson.

**Mini Kickers Football**– Steve is here on Thursday morning at 10am for toddler and pre-school children, the session lasts for 45 minutes and is £2 per session

**Activate Fun** – Danny will be here on a Monday afternoon at 2.30pm. The session lasts for 30 minutes and costs £2 per session.

**Spanish** – Ana will be here on Fridays at 10am for Spanish lessons for 2 and a half to 4 year old. The session lasts for 30 mins and is £2.50 per session.

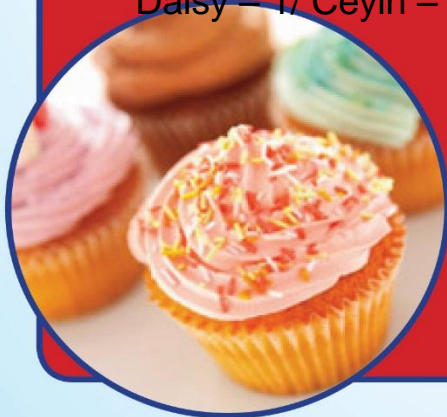
**Lymm Dance** – Alicia is currently on maternity leave and we will keep you updated as to when she will be restarting her dance class. Congratulations to Alicia on the birth of her little boy, Alfie 😊

**PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF THE TEAM TO BOOK YOUR CHILD IN FOR A CLASS**

## This months birthdays:

### January/February Birthdays

Sophie W – 1/ Myla-Rose – 3/ Lucas T-C – 1/ Sophie T – 2/ Sofia S – 1/  
Blake S – 2/ Benjamin P – 4/ James O – 1/ Rhys M – 3/ Hannah – 1/  
Jack L – 3/ Lewis – 2/ Isabelle H – 3/ Molly H – 3/ Ronnie – 1/ Jake H –  
2/ Tyler – 4/ Lani – 2/ Sofia – 1/ Abigail – 2/ Archie – 4/ Tristan – 2/  
Daisy – 1/ Ceyln – 1/ Ella B – 2/ Henry – 2/ Maggie – 4/ Elsie A – 2



## Many Happy Returns!

# What have we been doing at nursery?

## Babies

We have been learning lots of Makaton animal signs and animal sounds. We have been exploring our new wooden and natural objects, our new black and white resources and our colour sensory bottles. We have enjoyed playing with diggers and making sand castles in our sand box and have welcomed lots of new friends to our room. In the next few weeks we will be going on lots of walks to Lymm Dam and the park and will be exploring a range of messy play and creative activities.

## Tots

We have enjoyed exploring the new light and sound toys in our sensory room and have been baking lots of yummy things. We have been exploring lots of different messy play and used our new water resources in the water tray. We have been learning to ride the bikes in the garden and have been on lots of walks to Lymm Dam and to the park to feed the ducks. We have also enjoyed exploring our story sacks and song bag and circle time. In the next few weeks, we will be having a teddy bears picnic and will be welcoming some new fish to our fish tank and helping to take care of them.

## Toddlers

We have been learning our colours through 'colour of the week' activities, talking about the different seasons and the changing weather and have been on lots of walks to Lymm dam and the park. We have been exploring textures during messy play and have been making our own messy play and play dough by mixing the ingredients together ourselves. We have been welcoming some new friends from the Tots room and have been doing lots of new phonics activities. In the next few weeks, we are planning to have a 'Gruffalo' themed week with lots of exciting activities and will be exploring lots of different messy play activities using all of our senses.

## Pre-School 1

## Pre-School 2

We have been on some exciting trips, including a visit to Netto to buy ingredients to make some yummy stew at nursery and a visit to the local vets with Eugene our tortoise to give him a check up,. Eugene has now moved to our downstairs pre school room and we have been taking very good care of him by giving him baths and making sure he has plenty of food to eat. We have been getting creative using different materials to paint with and have been exploring lots of different messy play activities and new painting techniques. We have been exploring the natural resources in our new investigation area and have had fun playing in our tepee and investigating different things on our light box. We have been learning our numbers and shapes through different maths games, numbers hunts and shape games on the smartboard. Our younger children have started learning about rhyming words in phonics and our older children have been practicing writing letters on the smartboard. We have also been building different things using crates in the garden and have been engaging in lots of superhero role play. In the next few weeks, we will be changing our role play area into a vets, following on from our trip with Eugene to the vets and will learn all about taking care of animals. Our older children will be coming to the end of phase 2 sounds in phonics and will be moving on to tricky words. We will be doing lots of number recognition activities and will be learning all about the different weather and changing seasons.

Don't forget you can now follow the day to day activities of the children by following us on twitter [@KidsPlanetLymm](#) or 'liking' our Facebook page [Kids Planet Lymm](#)





# Reminders.....

## Parking

Can we please remind all parents that you can park on the St Winifred's Church car park at busy periods. Please be courteous to each other at busy times and do not block other cars in. Please walk to nursery where possible.

## Birthday Cake

If your child's birthday is approaching and you would like us to provide a birthday cake for them to share with their friends please see a member of staff who can arrange this with the cook. There will be a £5.00 charge for this service and we would need at least 2 weeks notice.

## Nursery Hairdresser

Bonny our Nursery Hairdresser will be here on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March – if you would like to book in please speak to a member of staff.

## Parent Email

We want to remind all parents that we have parent email. We hope to include all parents on this as it helps the environment by saving lots of paper at nursery. We also need parents to let us know if they have signed up but have yet to receive anything as some of the email addresses do not seem to work. To sign up please email [lymm@kidsplanetdaynurseries.co.uk](mailto:lymm@kidsplanetdaynurseries.co.uk) and we can add you to the mail list

## Staff news

- Congratulations to Nicole from our Toddler room on the birth of her baby girl, Leah-Rose.
- Aislinn has been on sensory play and behaviour management training.
- Miss Todd has been on training about literacy in the early years and understanding ADHD .
- Annie has been on working in partnership with parents training.
- Faye has taken part in Autism awareness training.
- Lucy has been on introduction to children development training.
- Several of our staff have recently had safeguarding training.
- Wendy, Shannen and Jo have joined our supply team – they are all qualified and have a range of experience.

## New arrivals!!!!

Firstly I would like to congratulate all of our mummies that are currently expecting another baby, hope you are all well.

I just want to remind you that if you do need a place at nursery for your new arrival then please book them in as early as possible. We are very busy now so to avoid disappointment, book your place at reception ASAP!

Employee of the month

Team of the month

Annie

Tots

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