



Activities News

Summer term 2018

The children in the 3-5 room have been introduced to our new construction resources to promote Risky Play. We have child size bricks, so the children have made cement. They have used tape measures, trowels, and learnt what spirit levels are used for. Hammers, nails and screwdrivers and screws have also been introduced.



Over a period of two weeks, the members of staff have introduced the props to the children and have been exploring what they can do with them.



A number of the resources are going to be introduced to the 2-3 children and will be in the children's outdoor construction area for them to play with.

The children in the 0-2 room have had lots of fun exploring through mark making. Using different materials, the babies have explored what they can do with them.



They used the potato mashers to explore the jelly!!



The 2-3 room have recently been doing all about Healthy Eating. From weighing fruit and vegetables to exploring them in ice!!

The children were able to explore the fruit and vegetables in several activities. They visited our vegetable patch to do some planting and also made delicious smoothies with different fruits.

Graduation Party

It's that time again... All the children that are leaving us to either start nursery or full time school are invited to join us along with their parents to our annual Graduation Party on Thursday 12th July 4:30-5:45pm. Children who are due to attend that day for a regular session can be joined by their parents at 4.30pm for the party. As we are holding this at nursery we ask that mobile siblings do not attend the party and we restrict it to 2 adults per child. We would like to take this opportunity to say a sad farewell and we wish your little ones the best of luck as they move on to their next big adventure!!

BOOKNIC (Book/Picnic)

We will be holding a BookNic here at nursery on Monday 11th June from 4pm.

Parents are invited to come and share a picnic and a book with their child.

The purpose of this picnic is to encourage early reading, sharing stories and promoting language.

All parents and child are invited; please let us know if you are able to attend.

WOW Moments

Please document your child's WOW moments on the sheets that your child's key person will provide you and bring them back to us, as these sheets are used towards your child's development.

High Scope DVD's

We would like to remind you that we have several HighScope DVD's, which are available for you to borrow if you want to. The DVD's give you an insight into the High Scope approach.

Staff News

Staff Qualification News - Leah has now completed her level 3 Early years Educator qualification and will now be counted in level 3 ratios.

Well done Leah!!



We are sad to announce Charlie left us on Friday 20th April. Charlie has got a job in a school closer to home as she has a long commute every morning coming here. We will miss her.

Mini Kicks

The book is now open on the mini kicks website to book your child onto the Mini Kicks. The sessions are going to be on Monday and Tuesday mornings at 9.15 am. Payment will be £15 p/m term time only.

Children do not need to be attending that day to join in the session. Parents are more than welcome to bring them to just join in the session. To book your child onto these sessions please visit the Mini Kicks website. If you could please confirm your child's place with us once you have booked.

Forthcoming Events

- Mini Kicks – Every Monday & Tuesday at 9:15am, (term time only)
- Rugby Tots – Taster session on Wednesday 25th April and Tuesday 1st May for all 2-5 children
- Pyjama day - Thursday the 3rd May to try and raise funds to support a little boy called Benjamin who is close to one of our nursery families. We will be asking for donations of £1 for each child wearing their pyjamas. *Thank You for your support.*
- Library service story session – Thursday 10th May at 9:00am (for children attending that day only)
- Rev Amanda session 10th May 2pm
- BookNic – Monday 11th June 2018 from 4:00pm
- Graduation Party – Thursday 12th July 2018 4:30-5:45pm
- Early Maths Workshop-(TBA)
- Phonics Workshop(TBA)

Term Dates

The Summer Term will start on **Monday 9th April – Monday 16th July 2018**

May Day Bank Holiday on **Monday 7th May 2018**

Half term is **Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June 2018**

If you do require **extra** sessions for your child over this period we need at least one month's notice, to ensure your invoice is accurate.

Local Offer

The local offer provides information for children and young people with special educational needs (SEND) and their parents/carers. It explains to families about what they can expect from a variety of local agencies, including education, health and social care. Knowing what is out there gives these families more choice and therefore more control over what support is right for their children. For further information on how we support children with SEND, please go to the website - www.doncasterchildrenandfamilies.info

Parents/Carers Forum Group

The parent/carers Forum for all those that don't know has now change to an online version. This is done through our face book page and is organised by the parent chairs. May we take this opportunity to introduce you to our Parent

Chairs – Bethany and Jenna. We listened to our parents regarding lack of time for parent forum meetings and together came up with the idea of doing it online. It is a useful tool to give parents/carers the opportunity to raise questions, share opinions and suggestions for the good of the nursery.

Our nursery philosophy

High Scope is a way of working with children based on the idea that children learn best from active learning experiences which they plan and carry out themselves. In this way children learn that they are capable, able to make decisions and solve problems about activities which are personally meaningful to them.

Reminders

- It is very important that you make sure you **do not leave any medicines in your child's bag**. Please make sure that you pass medicines onto a member of staff for it to be signed in.
- Reminder – all medication needs to be prescribed other than paracetamol.
- Please could we remind everyone to ensure that all clothes and shoes are labelled clearly with your child's name on. Could we also ask that all children have a spare set of clothing in their bag and that if they go home in nursery clothes that they are returned to us so we can use them again.
- Can we please ask that children come in appropriate clothing and footwear, including coats, wellies for outdoor play.
- Sun hats and a spare change of clothes for the warmer months
- **May we remind you to be prompt in collecting your child at the end of their session**. We ask that parents/carers arrive five minutes before the end of your child's session, so staff can discuss your child's day.
Late collections could mean that we are in danger of going out of ratio and our insurance only covers us between the hours of 8:00am – 6:00pm. Morning sessions finish at 1:00pm and afternoon sessions at 6:00pm. **Late collections will incur a £10 late charge for every 15 minutes or part of.**
- Please can we ask that all children bringing nappies and wipes on a daily basis always have at least 5 nappies a day in their bag. We have four nappy changing times throughout the day and then there is always one spare to allow for an extra change.
- Please can we remind you that we do not swap children's sessions as our staffing is calculated in advance on the number of children attending each day.

**Thank You for your
continued support
The Sunny Bright Team**