

Thursday 27th April 2017

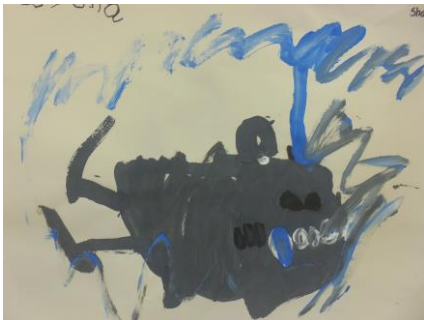
New Developments

There are a few new developments at the nursery:-

- We are very excited to say that we have just last week launched our facebook page and twitter, and already we have a few followers. Updates such as pictures, children's work, parent information and events will be ongoing and currently we are in the process of asking for parent's permission. If you would like any further information, please see Surbjit or Donna.
- As you are already aware, we have started to give feedback at the end of the day, using our nursery hudls. This is helping our environment and is our new way of delivering information to you. So far all parents have been great and patient with us and we hope to be introducing it live to all our parents in the next few weeks, using a parent link. More information to come in the following weeks.
- We are in the process of further developing our outdoor environment, linked to some ideas that have over time come from the children in how they would like to utilise the environment. Chelsea who is our outdoor co-ordinator visited a forest school and had the opportunity on training day to share some ideas/plans of how the new outdoor environments will further help and support our children's learning & development.



A collage of an Octopus, By Antoni, aged 3



A painting of a shark, By Isabella, aged 4

Training Day

All staff had the opportunity to learn how to and focus on adding pictures and observations onto the hudls. This will soon be our new way of recording children's learning and development and keeping an eye on their individual achievements and assessments. However, memory books will still be used to record their projects.

Trips

As well as visiting the library and going on the train this term, we are also looking forward to our 2 trips to the Umberslade farm (Thursday 18th May & Tuesday 6th June). If you cant remember which date your child is going, please check with Donna or Surbjit. More information

about the trips and what to bring will be given to you closer to the dates.

Parents Evening

We were delighted to see all parents who attended the last parents evening and as usual everyone enjoyed it. Thank you for your support and the positive feedback. The children were delighted with your messages. This term, parents evening is on Thursday 13th July from 6:45p.m. until 8:30p.m. As well as meeting with your key Carer to look at memory books and discuss your child's experiences at nursery, there will be 2 short presentations from Catriona. Light refreshments will be provided.

As this is an opportunity for parents and staff to talk, children will not be able to attend. If you have any queries or are unable to attend, please let us know and we will arrange an alternative consultation date.

Leavers class Photo

There will be a class photograph on Friday 19th May for all children leaving to go to Primary School in September 2017. Staff will speak to all families concerned with details.

Parents Workshop

We are asking all parents who have a profession, where they have to wear a uniform to come in and share what they do with some of our older children. Please let us know if you would like to come in and join us for a session. Also, if any parents who want to come in and work with a member of staff to help with a variety of activities including cooking, gardening, stories or art, then please speak to your key carer or Donna. There is no obligation but we all get so much out of it in terms of information and fun.

Security Reminder

A few parents are forgetting to **sign in/out** their children at drop off/pick up times. The register is used for our fire drill practises and therefore an important part of our routine. Also thank you for announcing clearly on the intercom who you are and who you have come to collect when you arrive outside each day. Please **do not** open the door to other parents, as senior staff need to control entries and exits at all times.

Celebrations

We have quite a few celebrations this term:

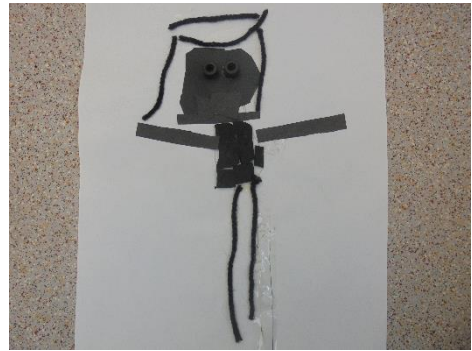
June	Fathers Day - National Day for Wales Environment Day Eid
August	Raksha Bandhan

If we have not included any festivals you like to celebrate let us know and we will add them to the list.

Dates for your Diary

May Bank Holiday- Nursery Closed
Umberlade Farm -
School Leavers Photo
Half Term - Nursery Closed for Grant places
Bank Holiday- Nursery Closed
Parents Evening
School Leavers party
End of Summer Term
Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed
Training Day - Nursery Closed
Autumn Term Start Date

Monday 1st May
Thursday 18th May
Friday 19th May
Monday 29th May - Fri 2nd June
Monday 29th May
Thursday 13th July
Friday 21st July
Friday 21st July
Monday 28th August
Tuesday 29th August
Monday 4th September



A shadow collage, By Wren,
aged 4