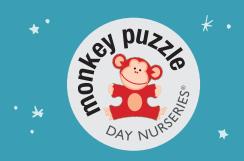
Stafford Newsletter



May 2022

Welcome to our monthly edition of Monkey Puzzle Stafford news!

So, what have we been up to in May?

May has sure been a busy month for the Monkey Puzzle Family... with several events being celebrated throughout nursery!
Our celebrations included Eid, Maths Day and VE Day.



Cheeky Chimps

In the baby room this month we focussed on colours and nursery rhymes. When exploring nursery rhymes, we sang our hearts out teaching the children the classic nursery rhymes we all know and love! We also taught them the actions to action rhymes such as wind the bobbin up. To explore nursery rhymes further we had activities such as fixing Humpty Dumpty with plasters, drawing Baa Baa black sheep and a once I caught a fish alive sensory tray. The children also love exploring Miss Polly had a dolly washing line outside and building London Bridge with the blocks.















The babies loved exploring all the different colours in the rainbow. We did a lot of painting and mixed up lots of different colours.

In the maths area we explored the different coloured shapes, in the construction area we built towers with coloured Duplo blocks and in the small world tray we mixed coloured foam.

The babies favourite activity was the sensory colour messy tray which included orange baked beans, pink foam, blue rice and green porridge oats!

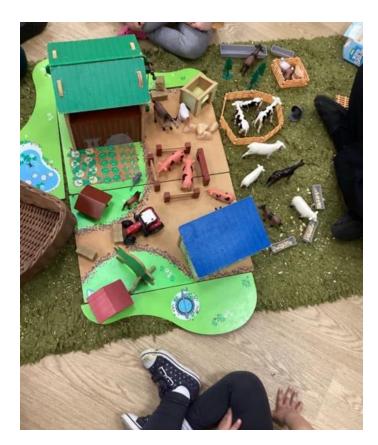
Next month we will be exploring our favourite stories, the Queens Jubilee and animals!

Mischievous Monkeys

This month the toddler room have been busy with our farm animals. We have enjoyed playing with our farm and farm animals and talking about the animals and their homes. This has encouraged children to communicate with the staff and their peers and give them the confidence to use their imagination!

The children have loved telling us about the different animals they have seen when they've been to the farm!







We have also started our 'under the sea' theme where we have made a beach scene for the children! We have also role played fishing with our fishing rods, which the children have not done before, trying new experiences and using their fine motor skills!

This month we have been planting sunflowers and talking about watering our plants and keeping them in the sunshine to help them grow. Now some have started to grow we are sending them home!

We are looking forward to making some bunting for our Jubilee celebrations.

Groovy Gorillas

The preschool room have been exploring a new topic this month of mini beasts. We have explored many books to do with mini beast but the children in particular enjoyed The Hungry Caterpillar.



The children enjoyed a hungry caterpillar tray exploring fruit with their senses and talking about how they felt and the smell. The children experienced cutting the fruit carefully with knives developing their fine motor skills.













They have liked exploring different mini beast through a variety of maths activities, developing their number recognition. The children loved putting the correct number of spots on ladybirds, and putting the correct amount of legs on the spiders using pegs.

Outside the children have enjoyed going on a mini beast hunt, seeing what mini beasts are in our garden. The children were excited and found many mini beasts including ladybirds, woodlouse and butterflies.



Happy Birthday!

We have been celebrating lots of birthdays in May across the nursery. Happy Birthday to Alfie-Scott, Amanda, Clementina, Isaac, Loxlie, Maia, Mary, Mila, Oscar, Seb and Xzavier. Happy birthday also to Shannon, Elise and Gaitri!

Employee of the month!

The Management team are always thankful to all the staff that work so hard to care for our Monkey Puzzle children and develop their learning. Our staff have voted Martha as this month Employee of the month!

Well done Martha!



Upcoming Nursery Events!

Our Father's Day event will take place on Thursday 16th June, please ensure you book your place!

Marvin will be joining us for the Graduation Ceremony of our Pre-Schoolers leaving us this year on Wednesday 20th July.



Dates for your diary!

Nursery will be closed on the 2nd and 3rd June as it is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday.

1st June – Global Day of Parents

6th June – D-Day

1st June – Pride Month

8th June – World Oceans Day

5th June – World Environment Day

19th June – Father's Day

5th June – Pentecost Sunday





Important notes for parents:

Please ensure you keep an eye on our Famly App for announcements and messages!

If there are any changes to your child's contact details or or emergency contact details then please can you advise management of this.



Our new policies are now available online on our website under Parents Page. The policies are password protected but will be shared with parents via Famly! There will be more new policies being added in the coming months.

We are proud to be rated 9.9/10 on daynurseries.co.uk. Thank you to all our parents/carers who have reviewed our nursery!

Don't forget to add your pictures onto our Famly app, so that practitioners can share your child's experiences and achievements with their friends and on their journal.

If you have any questions then please message us on Famly or call us during opening times on 01785 250188. We are always here to help.

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