

# Stafford Newsletter



June 2023

**Welcome to our monthly edition of Monkey Puzzle Stafford news!**

This month we celebrated Global Day of Parents, Pride Month, World Environment Day, D-Day, Father's Day and Eid!

**So, what have the rooms been up to this month?**

## **Cheeky Chimps**

This month the children of Cheeky Chimps have explored activities that focus on our understanding of the world area of development. The children have enjoyed various messy tray activities such as vehicles and cereal where the children have learnt to create different sounds for the car, train, and plane toys that we have.

The children have also loved creating dinosaur swamps using different types of food like mushy peas, pasta and natural resources like soil and leaves.

One of our main projects that we are starting for the summer is including different forest school activities to allow the children to play with natural resources and decorate our garden.

In the last couple of weeks, we have been creating bird feeders using pipe cleaners and cheerio's. This activity has been fantastic for the children's fine motor control skills which focused on their finger and thumb grip.



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This month we have also enjoyed celebrating different themes.

We had the start of Pride month where the children were colouring rainbows.



We had national parent day where children enjoyed sticking their mummy's and daddy's inside our house that we created.



We also explored World environment day where the children were learning what can go in the ocean and what cannot.



## Mischievous Monkeys

This month in the toddler room the children have enjoyed activities involving dinosaurs. They have explored a variety of tuff trays with different textures to use their imagination with dinosaurs. The children had very different responses:

- “I’m feeding the dinosaur coffee”.
- “I’m making a pink house”.
- “I’m making dinosaur food”.

Whilst the weather has been getting warmer, the children have enjoyed being in the garden, developing their physical skills...walking along the plank, walking up the stairs on the slide and climbing on the train.



Inside the nursery we attempted to complete the “we’re going on a bear hunt” jigsaw!



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Outside we loved listening to “we’re going on a bear hunt” and then the children went on a bear hunt themselves.!

They all shouted, “we found a bear” and pointed at places where there might be some bears.





## Groovy Gorillas

Preschool have been having a fantastic time this month. We have been exploring our emotions and talking about feelings. The children made pictures of their emotions and came out with some fantastic words including “Grumpy, excited, happy and sad”.



We are now finding ways to self-regulate our emotions and feels, this is very important and will help us throughout our life.



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The children have also been busy exploring the water and learning new concepts such as full, half full, empty. They experimented with funnels and had a fantastic time even got a little wet whilst exploring.

We have also been looking at number recognition and identify numbers on our fingers, the children are becoming fantastic at this. Well done pre-school.

One of our parents are doing the Ride2Austria next week, so we have been looking at maps and are going to track Jim's journey as he cycles from Portsmouth to Austria in 10 days. Good luck Jim we look forward to hearing all about it when you get back.

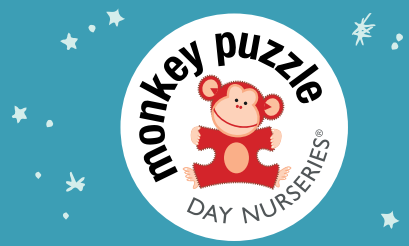


## Happy Birthday!

We have been celebrating lots of birthdays in June across the nursery. Happy Birthday to Aria, Daphne, Frederick, Halle S, Isaac, Theia, Mila, Teddy & Thea!



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## Dates for your diary!

A reminder of upcoming events in May and June!

**4th July – 4th July**

**18th July – Nelson Mandela International Day**

**6th August – National Friendship Day**



## Important notes for parents:

Please ensure that you keep an eye on our Family software App for announcements and messages! If there are any changes to your child's contact details or emergency contact details then please can you advise management of this.



Our up-to-date policies are available online on our website under Parents Page. The policies are password protected but will be shared with parents via Family! These policies are updated annually.



**We are proud to be rated 9.9/10 on [daynurseries.co.uk](https://www.daynurseries.co.uk)**

Thank you to all our parents/carers who have reviewed our nursery!



**Why not leave a comment about us on Google Review!**

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



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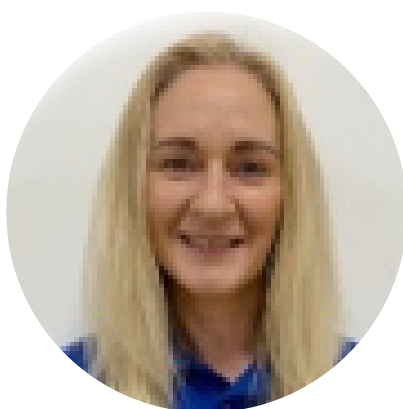
If you have any questions then please message us on Family or call us during opening times on 01785 250188.

We are always here to help.

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