

# Stafford Newsletter



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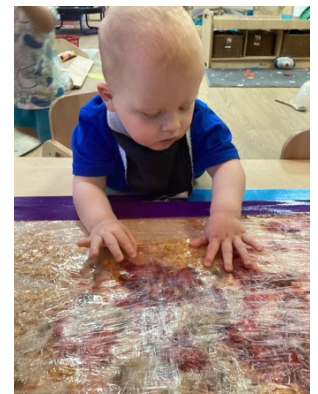
**Welcome to our monthly edition of Monkey Puzzle Stafford news!**

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

## **Cheeky Chimps**

This month baby room have continued to be very busy exploring their gross and fine motor skills. Baby room has been using their hands to explore different textures under the cling film, we have explored frozen peas, paint, frozen fruit and used our dominate hands to squish and smash the different items. We then extended our learning by adding in rolling pins and kitchen utensils to squish the objects.

Baby room has also been exploring playdough and our playdough mats attempting to mould playdough into different shapes and sizes, we used scented dough and the children enjoyed smelling the different smells.



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We also did some sicking and gluing on our table top activity using glue to stick down tissue paper on our fish. We explored the different tools and materials we could use to create our pictures and used our manners doing this activity such as more and please.



Baby room also took our art outside and made our own phones for technology, we made phones using foil and glue and rang our mommy and daddy's. We also spoke to our friends through cups which made us very happy and giggle.



Baby room has also been exploring their new toys which allows us to thread string through holes, this is encouraging our fine and gross motor skills and we have been practicing naming our animals.

## Mischievous Monkeys

In September the toddlers have been learning about their emotions in French, pointing to emotions they feel and beginning to learn why they feel these ways.



They've enjoyed cuddling teddies to express happiness and have shown amazing sitting and listening within this month!



We've been exploring a range of ways that we can use water! Using pipes and jugs to pour water to gain strong muscles. They've been showing great control of pouring the water.



And we've begun to learn about caring for our books, reading is a big thing in the toddler room, as a lot of children have taken an interest into the books therefore the children have got new books to read.



## Groovy Gorillas

This month, the preschool room have been focusing on the topics of 'all about me and my senses' and 'the jungle and rainforest'.

During our all about me topic, we looked at many activities focusing on exploring each of our senses such as making tea and coffee, citrus soup, and food tasting - as well as discussing our families, our likes and our dislikes.

The children really enjoyed our 'jungle and rainforest' topic, exploring the environment and the different animals that live there. We went on an 'animal hunt' around the nursery, in which the children worked as a team to find any animals that live in the jungle or rainforest.





## Happy Birthday!

We have been celebrating lots of birthdays in September across the nursery. Happy Birthday to Alfie, Benjamin, Ember-Rae, Freddie, Halle E, Jude, Oliver and Theo!

## Dates for your diary!

A reminder of upcoming events in October and November!

**1st October - Black History Month**

**5th October - World Teacher's Day**

**10th October - World Mental Health Day**

**31st October - Halloween**

**5th November - Bonfire Night**

**10th November - World Science Day**

**11th November - Remembrance Day**

**12th November - Diwali**

**13th November - World Kindness Day & Anti Bullying Week**

**19th November - International Men's Day**

**23rd November - Thanksgiving**



## 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.



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**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.**

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.

## Your management team:



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