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Newsletter – Issue 2

Welcome to our second newsletter!

Highlights

- We have invested in new outdoor play equipment;
- We are in the process of recruiting additional staff;
- Lauren has now permanently moved from Pre-school to the toddler room;
- We have introduced regular visits to the nursery to help provide the children with a variety of activities (see overleaf for details);
- Training has been of particular focus recently, with various staff members attending training on the 'terrific twos' and 'special educational needs'
- We have improved our menus to incorporate more nutritious and varied meals;
- We have revamped the website and will be continuing to update and develop our site further; Please visit us at: www.sunshinedaynurseries.co.uk



Fees

Please can we remind you that Fees are payable in advance on the 1st of each calendar month.

Late fee payments of £20 will be incurred if the fee is not received in the month that it is due.

Congratulations...

To **Maria** and **Lauren** who both recently achieved Level 3 in Childcare! Well done to you both!



Reminders



- Please ensure we have your up-to-date contact details and also emergency contact details;
- Please don't leave plastic bags on pegs or in your child's bag;
- Please check your child's bag regularly, you may need some more spare clothes or require a set of different season clothes, especially if your child is toilet training; and
- Please let us know of any dates your child may be on holiday from nursery so that we can amend our records.

A BIG thank you...

To **Ruby** and **Esme's** mums for coming in and talking to the children about their professions.

Any other parents are more than welcome to come in and talk to the children – Please let Sam know if you would like to visit.

Ofsted Inspection

As you may be aware, we had an Ofsted inspection on 12th July and the report (slightly revised version) is available online at:

[Sunshine Ofsted Report](#)

Many thanks to all of the parents who spoke to the inspector.

We are extremely pleased with our overall rating of 'Good', particularly given that we are a newly registered setting and the more stringent requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage 2012. We will of course be aiming for 'Outstanding' next time!



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Parents Evening

The next parents evening will be held on the dates below:

- Baby Room & Toddler Room – **6th November**
- Pre-school – **30th October**



Please see a member of staff to make an appointment.

Regular Visits

Zoolab visit the nursery every quarter to demonstrate to the children how animals deal with each season and in turn how each animal reproduces and prepares for the season ahead.

Totstars visit the nursery on the last Tuesday of every month and provide the Pre-school children with a session on basketball, football and volleyball.

Sing & Sign will be visiting the nursery once a month to provide the babies and toddlers with a session on signing and signing.

Musical Bumps will be visiting the nursery once a month to provide all children with a session on music and dance.

Baby Room

This term we will be working on baby signs and working on a different sign each week with the aid of different props. Each child will be given a name sign. If you have any suggestions, please see Sophie or Maria.

We are working closely with all the new babies settling in to ensure strong bonds are formed and each baby feels comfortable and happy.

Our favourite songs this term are "The Wheels on the Bus", "Little Green Frogs" and "Old Mac-Donald".



Pre-School

Now that our school leavers have left, the small groups have changed. Please see our Sunshine Family Board in the hallway for information on your child's key carer.

As you may be aware Linda recently broke her foot and has been unable to carry out her normal role with the children. We are pleased to say that she will be returning to her normal day to day role as from next week.

This term, we will be working on the following during small group time.

- Understanding emotions and explaining how to deal with them, through the use of discussion, signs and books;
- Promoting listening, concentration and working as a team;
- Feeding ourselves using a knife and fork and conversations at meal times;
- Promoting the importance of washing our hands; and

Toddler Room

Our new special book corner will be focusing on "Tinga Tanga Tales", exploring tales and animals from Africa.

We have renewed and added to our Heuristic area, so the toddlers can have a more sensory approach and exploration to learning. We are also now using more sign language in the toddler room, some signs describing our feelings and also sign names for our friends and carers.



Mommy



Daddy



Please



Thank You

Our favourite songs this term are "Baa baa pink sheep", "Five cheeky monkeys jumping on the bed" and "Days of the Week".

Map of the World

We are starting to plot a map of the world, including the places where people at the nursery originate from, so please let us know of any languages spoken or heard at home.



- Assessing our own risks and dangers.

Our special book area will focus on the book "Walking through the Jungle".



We will use this book to promote the development areas covered under the EYFS.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for any activities or outings, please let a member of the pre-school team know.

This term, pre-school children will be learning the following Autumn Time songs. Please feel free to sing along at home.

The Leaves on the Trees

(sung to "The Wheels on the Bus")



The leaves on the tree turn orange and brown, orange and brown, orange and brown.

The leaves on the trees turn orange and brown, All through the town.

The leaves on the trees come swirling down, swirling down, swirling down.
The leaves on the trees come swirling down. All through the town.

The leaves on the ground go swish, swish, swish, swish, swish, swish.
The leaves on the ground go swish, swish, swish. All through the town.

Let's rake all the leaves into a mound, Into a mound, into a mound.
Let's rake all the leaves into a mound All through the town.

The children in the town jump up and down, Up and down, up and down.
The children in the town jump up and down On the leaves on the ground.



The Sky is Falling

The sky is falling down upon my head.
The sky is falling yellow, brown and red.

The sky will soon cover every bit of ground
Making a quilt of yellow, red and brown.

Jean Brown

Five Little Leaves

Five little leaves so bright and gay (hold up five fingers)
We're dancing about on a tree one day. (Wiggle fingers on one hand)
The wind came blowing through the town (Cup hand around mouth and make wind noises)
Ooooooooo.....Ooooooooooooo.....
One little leaf came tumbling down. (Bend down one finger)

Four little leaves so bright and gay (hold up four fingers)
We're dancing about on a tree one day. (Wiggle four fingers)
The wind came blowing through the town, (Cup hand around mouth and make wind noises)
Ooooooooo.....Ooooooooooooo.....
One little leaf came tumbling down (Bend down another finger)

Three little leaves so bright and gay.....
Two little leaves so bright and gay.....
One little leaf so bright and gay.....

I'm a Little Popcorn

(tune of I'm a little teapot)

I'm a little popcorn in a pot (huddle in a ball)
Heat me up and watch me pop (jump up)
When I am all white I am done
Popping corn is lots of fun (jump around)

I Had a Little Nut Tree

I had a little nut tree
Nothing would it bear
But a silver nutmeg
And a golden pear.
The king of Spain's daughter
Came to visit me
And all for the sake
Of my little nut tree.

