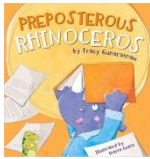


## Welcome to our 7<sup>th</sup> newsletter!

### Highlights

- The majority of our staff have recently attended **Safeguarding Level 3** course and in addition a few members of the team have also attended a course entitled '**Brave Boys & Behaviour**'.
- We have had a few **outings** recently to the local park and library. We have also been fortunate to have the police come and visit the children at nursery.
- **Graduation** – nine of our children graduated this year with our graduation party taking place at the end of July. All of the children enjoyed the bouncy castle and celebrating with our leavers as they sang our Sunshine song and received their scrolls and present.
- **Tracey Gunaratnam**, a local children's author came to visit us in August for a story reading session. Her book is entitled Preposterous Rhinoceros and has been shown on CBeebies. 
- **Pre School Book Scheme** – We have recently introduced a pre school book scheme which is available each morning, where the children can choose a book to take home and read, and when finished bring it back and change it for another one.

### Reminders



- Please ensure we have your up-to-date contact details and also emergency contact details
- Please don't leave plastic bags on pegs in your child's bag
- Please check your child's bag regularly as you may need more spare clothes or require a set of different season clothes, especially if your child is toilet training
- Please let us know of any dates your child may be on holiday from nursery so that we can amend our records
- Please note that breakfast runs from 8am until 9am, which then enables the staff to set up and start the children's morning activities
- Please let us know if your child has achieved a task they have been aiming for at home so we can write them a leaf for our "I can tree"
- Please remember to check your children's art boxes and take home their creations. If your child brings in a toy from home, please remember that it needs to fit in their box.

### Expectations at Sunshine

At Sunshine we promote our expectations within the nursery; please can you help us promote these at home by using the following posters:



### Christmas Closure

Please note that the nursery will close at 1.00pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> December 2015 and re-open again on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016.



### Christmas Activities

We are now looking forward to our Christmas activities:

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> December  | Pre school Make and Bake      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> December  | Toddler/Babies make and bake  |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> December | Christmas Play                |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> December | Christmas Party & Elves Visit |



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### Can You Help?

We are looking to expand the children's knowledge about the community including different occupations and ways of life. If you or anyone you know would like to come into the nursery to talk to the children about what you do for a living or any cultural festivals you celebrate, we would love to hear from you!

A Big Thank You to Martin's Dad who visited us last term to play his Guitar!



### Calpol Consent

The nursery will only administer medication such as Calpol when the child has a raised temperature. We maintain a medication form, which is completed on registration to confirm parents/carers consent. We also contact parents/carers by phone where possible before administering Calpol to obtain consent. Going forward, in line with required procedures, we would be grateful if parents could also confirm their consent via email to [info@sunshinedaynurseries.co.uk](mailto:info@sunshinedaynurseries.co.uk).

### Nut Policy

Please note that as we have children at nursery who have a nut allergy, we no longer include nuts in the menu and nuts will not be permitted on the premises. Can we kindly ask that parents/carers do not bring in foods containing nuts to the nursery (for example in cakes for birthdays).

### Weather ahead...

We have officially left the summer and whilst we have been lucky enough to have warm weather for longer than expected, it is starting to turn colder and wetter. Please can you make sure that your child has suitable warm and waterproof clothing and coats.

### Regular Visits

**Zoolab** visit the nursery every quarter to demonstrate to the children how animals deal with each season and prepare for the season ahead. The next dates for Zoolab are 29th October (Halloween theme) and 27th January (Animals in Winter).

**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. To give you an idea of the fun the children have with Totstars, please visit this link: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XtpkM\\_xBw1Y](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XtpkM_xBw1Y)

**Sing & Sign** visit the nursery once a month to provide all children with a session on signing.

**Musical Bumps** visit the nursery once a month to provide all children with a session on music and dance.

### EYPP and 2 Year Old Funding Reminder

The Early Years' Pupil Premium (EYPP) is additional funding for early years settings to improve the quality of provision for disadvantaged 3 & 4 year olds. The aim of the EYPP is to close the gap between children from disadvantaged backgrounds and their peers by providing funding to early years providers to help them raise the quality of their provision. A setting is eligible for this funding if a child receiving the government funding is from a low income family, receiving income support or a child is being looked after by the local authority or has been adopted from care. If you feel you may be eligible, please contact us and we will provide you with a form to complete to check eligibility. Please also visit the following link to check eligibility for 2 year old funding: <http://www.familySPACECroydon.co.uk/landing/internal/two-year-old-funding/>

### Baby Room

This term the baby room will be looking at our special book 'Walking Through The Jungle'.

Over the past few weeks the babies have really enjoyed making animal noises, mostly farm animals. To expand their knowledge we want to introduce wild animal noises, using our special book, nursery rhymes and activities such as the wild animals in paint.

In the baby room we will be working to improve/update our sleep room display boards. With the babies help we are very excited to improve our baby sleep area.

#### This term's songs:

#### **"Old MacDonald"**

Old Macdonald had a farm  
E-I-E-I-O  
And on his farm he had a cow  
E-I-E-I-O  
With a moo moo here  
And a moo moo there  
Here a moo, there a moo  
Everywhere a moo moo  
Old MacDonald had a farm  
E-I-E-I-O

Repeat with oink oink, quack quack, neigh neigh,  
baa baa & cluck cluck

#### **"The Animal Boogie"**



Down in the jungle, where nobody sees,  
What can you see swinging through the trees?  
With a swiny swing here and a swiny swing there,  
What's that creature swinging through the trees?

#### We Are!

We go sway, sway, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Sway, sway, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Sway, sway, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
That's the way we boogie through the night!

Down in the jungle where there's danger all around  
What can you see slithering on the ground?

With a slither slither here and a slither slither there  
What's that creature slithering on the ground?

#### It's a leopard!

She goes leap, leap, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Leap, leap, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Leap, leap, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
That's the way she's learning how to leap.

#### It's a Bird!

He goes flap, flap, boogie, woogie, oogie  
Flap, flap, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Flap, flap, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
That's the way he is flying in the sky.

Down in the jungle, where the trees grow high,  
What can you see flying in the sky?  
With a flappy flap here and a flappy flap there.  
What's that creature flying in the sky?

#### It's an Elephant!

She goes stomp, stomp, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Stomp, stomp, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Stomp, stomp, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
That's the way she's stomping her feet.

#### It's a Monkey!

He goes swing, swing, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Swing, swing, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
Swing, swing, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
That's the way he's swinging through the trees.

#### It's a Snake!

He goes slither, slither, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
He goes slither, slither, boogie, woogie, oogie!  
That's the way he slithers on the ground

Down in the jungle where the stars are shining bright  
What can you see swaying left and right  
With a sway sway here and a sway sway there,  
who's swaying left and right?

### Toddler Room

This term's special book will be The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle.

The children have previously enjoyed joining in with the story, so we will be using our Live Butterfly Garden to explore and watch the changes, and to introduce new words found in the story. We will be extending their interest in numbers through activities using the fruits and foods from the story.

This term's songs:

#### **"Two caterpillars crawling on a branch"**



There's a little caterpillar on a leaf, wriggle, wriggle  
There's a little caterpillar, little caterpillar, little  
caterpillar on a leaf, wriggle, wriggle

He will eat the leaves around him till he's full, munch,  
munch

He will eat the leaves around home, eat the leaves  
around him, fill he's full, much, much

He will spin a cocoon for his home, spin spin X 2  
He will spin a cocoon, spin a cocoon, spin a cocoon  
for his home, spin, spin

He will be a butterfly and fly away, flap, flap x2  
He will be a butterfly, be a butterfly, be a butterfly  
and fly away, flap, flap

#### **"Five little leaves"**

Five little leaves so bright and gay  
Were dancing around on a tree one day.  
The wind came blowing thorough the town  
Whooo - And one little leaf came tumbling down.

Four little leaves so bright and gay  
Were dancing around on a tree one day.  
The wind came blowing thorough the town  
Whooo - And one little leaf came tumbling down.

Three little leaves so bright and gay  
Were dancing around on a tree one day.  
The wind came blowing thorough the town  
Whooo - And one little leaf came tumbling down.

Two little leaves so bright and gay  
Were dancing around on a tree one day.  
The wind came blowing thorough the town  
Whooo - And one little leaf came tumbling down....

One little leaf so bright and gay  
Was dancing around on a tree one day.  
The wind came blowing thorough the town  
Whooo - And one little leaf came tumbling down.

Five little leaves so bright and gay  
Were lying down on the ground one day.  
The wind came blowing thorough the town Whooo -  
And five little leaves went flying around.

#### **"There's a little caterpillar on a leaf"**

There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf (wiggle, wiggle)  
There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf (wiggle, wiggle)  
There's a tiny caterpillar, tiny caterpillar,  
There's a tiny caterpillar on a leaf (wiggle, wiggle)

He will eat the leaves around him 'til he's full (munch,  
munch)

He will eat the leaves around him 'til he's full (munch,  
munch)

He will eat the leaves around, eat the leaves around  
He will eat the leaves around him 'til he's full (munch,  
munch)

A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home (spin,  
spin)

A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home (spin,  
spin)

A cocoon is what he's spinning, cocoon is what he's  
spinning,

A cocoon is what he's spinning for his home (spin,  
spin)

Then he'll be a butterfly and fly away (flap, flap)  
Then he'll be a butterfly and fly away (flap, flap)  
Then he'll be a butterfly, be a butterfly,  
Then he'll be a butterfly and fly away (flap, flap)

## Pre-School

This term's special book will be The Pirate Cruncher by Jonny Duddle and other pirate stories.

We are creating a pirate cave as our special book area. This will encourage the children's imagination and role play skills; it will also enable us to encourage a wider vocabulary, incorporating all the pirate language.

### Skills the Pre-School children will develop this term.

The Pre-school children will be working on fine motor skills, especially using scissors and cutlery for the younger children and phonics with the older children.

### This term's songs:

#### **"The day I went to sea"**



When I was one, I just begun,  
The day I went to sea.  
I jumped aboard a pirate ship  
And the Captain said to me:  
'We're going this way, that way,  
Forwards backwards,  
Over the deep blue sea.  
A bottle of rum to fill my tum  
And that's the life for me'.

When I was two, I lost my shoe,  
The day I went to sea.  
I jumped aboard a pirate ship  
And the Captain said to me:  
'We're going this way, that way,  
Forwards backwards,  
Over the deep blue sea.  
A bottle of rum to fill my tum  
And that's the life for me'.

When I was three, I climbed a tree, (hurt my knee)  
The day I went to sea.  
I jumped aboard a pirate ship  
And the Captain said to me:  
'We're going this way, that way,  
Forwards backwards,  
Over the deep blue sea.  
A bottle of rum to fill my tum  
And that's the life for me'.

When I was four, I knocked on the door,  
The day I went to sea.  
I jumped aboard a pirate ship  
And the Captain said to me:  
'We're going this way, that way,  
Forwards backwards,  
Over the deep blue sea.  
A bottle of rum to fill my tum  
And that's the life for me'.

When I was five, I learned to dive, (drive)  
The day I went to sea.  
I jumped aboard a pirate ship  
And the Captain said to me:  
'We're going this way, that way,  
Forwards backwards,  
Over the deep blue sea.  
A bottle of rum to fill my tum  
And that's the life for me'.

#### **"Ten little pirates"**

Ten little pirates stood in a row (*hold up all ten fingers*)  
They bowed to their captain so (*lower and raise fingers*)  
They marched to the left march (*hands to left or opposite since children will mirror you*)  
They marched to the right (*see above*)  
They shouted yoo hoo! (*cup hands over mouth*)  
And gave their captain a fright act scared, (*cover mouth with hands*)

### "Five cheeky monkeys"



Five little monkeys jumping on the bed  
One fell off and bumped his head  
Mama called the doctor,  
And the doctor said  
No more monkeys jumping on the bed

Four little monkeys jumping on the bed  
One fell off and bumped his head  
Mama called the doctor  
And the doctor said,  
No more monkeys jumping on the bed

Three little monkeys jumping on the bed  
One fell off and bumped his head  
Mama called the doctor  
And the doctor said,  
No more monkeys jumping on the bed  
Two little monkeys jumping on the bed  
One fell off and bumped his head  
Mama called the doctor  
And the doctor said,  
No more monkeys jumping on the bed

One little monkey jumping on the bed  
One fell off and bumped his head  
Mama called the doctor  
And the doctor said,  
Put those monkeys right to bed

### "Ten in the bed"

There were ten in the bed  
and the little one said,  
"Roll over, roll over"  
So they all rolled over and one fell out.  
There were nine in the bed  
and the little one said,  
"Roll over, roll over"  
So they all rolled over and one fell out.  
*Eight!*

(Repeat to...1)  
There was one in the bed  
and the little one said,  
"I'm lonely."