



CLASSROOM newsletter

April
2024



Important Dates

- Marathon** - Thursday 25th April
- Sports Day** - Monday 20th May
- May Holiday Club** - 28th-31st May
- Graduation Picnic** - Thursday 11th July
- Summer Term Ends** - Friday 19th July
- Summer Holiday Club** - 22nd July-30th Aug

Dates for the Diary

Each year we like to celebrate the Marathon by seeing how many times we can run around the cricket pitch. We learn about the Marathon in the week leading up to it and everyone gets a medal. It is quite short, but on **Thursday 25th April** parents or children who do not usually attend on that day and fancy joining us for a run or to cheer them on (and usually a treat at the end), are welcome to join us.

Sports Day will be Monday 20th May. It worked very well last year when we brought this forward, as it avoided clashes with school sports days for older siblings. Parents are able to park around the edge of the cricket field and bring along a picnic/snacks for you and your child to share at midday, after they have enjoyed a few sporty activities/races with their friends.

Our Graduation Picnic will be Thursday 11th July. This will be held at Braziers Park. More details to follow.

HAPPY Birthday

Sending lots of birthday wishes to all those children celebrating a birthday this half term:

Skye and Eliza

We hope that you enjoy your special day!



CLASSROOM NEWS - OWLS

We would like to welcome you all back for the first half of the summer term! It's been lovely to see some of your Easter adventures through Tapestry and share them in group times.

For the remainder of April will continue with the theme about Spring and New life. Our books are 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will be exploring life cycles with story sacks, sequencing sheets, puzzles, and information books, observing beans grow and we also have the very exciting opportunity for the children to see chicks hatch, organised by Jo.

When we get into May, the theme will change to Transport. This is a huge favourite as many children have a big fascination with how things work, rotation of wheels, balls, and anything that goes round. We also sing lots of songs related to transport including, 'Down at the Station', 'The Wheels on the Bus', 'Row, Row, Row Your Boat', 'A Sailor Went to Sea' and 'Driving in my Car'. If any parents have a mode of transport which they would like to bring in to share with the children that would be very welcome. We are lucky that we do see tractors around the village, horses, bikes in the playground, helicopters and aeroplanes flying over, which we will be looking at. Our themed books will be 'Duck in the Truck' and 'The Train Ride'.

We will continue our walk rota throughout the Summer term. We may need to shuffle it slightly to ensure the children are with their key person and favourite friends as much as possible. Also, due to the weather hopefully being kinder, we will be able to be more relaxed with this. Meaning sometimes, both groups may go out and we can use the garden and playground much more.

Hopefully the weather will be warming up soon. Please remember that all children will need a 10 hour sun cream applied to their skin before they arrive at nursery. If your child wears shorts or a dress to nursery, please remember to pack a pair of trousers to cover their legs from stinging nettles, etc.

As always, if you have any needs or concerns regarding staff changes or changes to your child's routine please chat with either your child's key person, Julie, or you can email Gina through the nursery email: admin@earlydays-nursery.co.uk. We will continue using Tapestry for our group information about your child's day, observations and any other important information we feel you need to know.

Julie

**Natalie, Lucy, Jo, Harriet,
Hayley, Nesta, Dawn and Sheila**