



## Nursery Newsletter April 2019

We would like to welcome all the lovely new families who have joined us over the past couple of months.

### Training

Delta is continuing her Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) course that will end on the 15<sup>th</sup> May.

Karen is on a Special Educational Needs and Disability course in May.

### Easter Egg Raffle

We have got a wonderful Easter basket with a selection of eggs and toys for our Easter Egg raffle. Tickets are £2 a strip and the winner will be drawn on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

### Chicks

In order to give the children some real life experiences we will be welcoming Chicks from Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May for two weeks. They will arrive as eggs so that the children will get the chance to watch them hatch!

### Photos

Lucy from 'Joy Photography' will be visiting the nursery for group and individual photos on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May. This will be in the morning, times will be advised later. If you would like your child's photo taken but they do not attend on these days then please let a member of staff know and we can arrange for you to bring them in.

### Parents Evening

We are holding a Parent's Evening on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May from 6:15-7:30. If you would like to come please bring back the letter which you will have been given this week by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. We will then give you a 10-minute time slot.

### Baby Buttercups

The Baby Buttercups have had lots of fun exploring the colour tactile trays. We have bought lots of new materials for the children to experience new textures and added different objects which create different

sounds. The babies have also enjoyed looking at sensory lights and learning new colour names.

The babies have also shown a great interest in the new treasure baskets created by the staff in the baby room. We had a staff competition and Alison's 5 senses basket was the winner! The staff also created a metallic basket, an 'equal opportunities' one, a black and white one and a two little dicky birds outdoor basket.

The babies have also been enjoying their regular trips to the forest school, looking for flowers and exploring the fairy garden. They have shown great interest in looking for mini beasts and talking about the world around them.

The Baby Buttercups have also been very busy going on a lot of trips exploring and having lots of fun outdoors. Some of the trips include going to the park, library, supermarkets and a visit to Pets at Home.



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We have started to do some spring activities including gluing and sticking and painting, making blossom trees, birds and butterflies and exploring with new textures.

**Baby Buttercups: Katie, Sarah, Ellie, Laura, Alison, Ellie, Emma and Melissa**☺

### Dancing Daisies and Super Sunflowers

The Dancing Daisies and Super Sunflowers have been enjoying the warmer weather and enjoying going on different outings. We have been to the park, the forest school and for walks to the pet shop at Clifton Moor.

We have been aiming to split up as much as we can, so the children can have set activities that suit their ages. We have found this is improving their concentration levels and communication skills.

We have been helping to plant different fruit and vegetables in the veg garden that we hope will grow well

so that we can taste them in a few weeks. We have also planted some GIANT Sunflowers and are watching these grow every day.

If there is a specific area you would like your child to focus on, please could you let their key person know so we can organise activities based on this.

Please can you check your child's artwork drawers as they are getting full.

**Dancing Daisies and Super Sunflowers: Delta, Claire, Kirsty, Sue, Michelle, Charlotte, Tanya and Ellie on a Friday** ☺

### Occupancy

The nursery occupancy is increasing. We have limited availability in the Under 2's room, but more availability in the Over 2's room from September.

### 30 hours' funding

If you are eligible for 30 hours' funding, please remember to log onto your account every 3 months to confirm your eligibility. If

you do not log in it will affect us being able to claim funding for your child.

### Bags, Toys, food & drink from home

We have a number of children with food allergies in our nursery so please do not bring in food from home unless it is the Under 2's bottled milk. As we do have a number of children with different allergies.

### Summer Clothes

As the weather will be getting warmer, we would be very grateful if you could provide us with some sun cream and a sun hat for your child. Please also dress your child appropriately for the weather.

### Tapestry

A big thank you to all the parents that upload photos onto Tapestry of what your children have been doing at home. We love to see what you have been getting up to and it does help us to identify children's interests and 'next steps.'



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Thank you for your  
continued support.

Karen and the Team.