

WEEK COMMENCING 26TH APRIL 2021

PLAYDAYS NURSERY

SOUTH WOODFORD

What have we been up to?

Our Makaton sign of the week is 'Friends'

This week we welcomed some new friends into our toddler and pre school room's. The children have settled in so well and all of the children have been very welcoming and friendly.

We really enjoyed playing Dinosaur hide and seek this week! This was a great activity, which supported our language skills; we communicated to help our friends who were looking for the hidden dinosaurs by using language such as, "you are getting closer", "you need to look higher" and "you need to look lower".

Many of the children have welcomed, or will be welcoming siblings into their families which has initiated activities in caring for babies, such as washing and feeding.

We have enjoyed learning to express our feelings, using our nursery feeling stick – we took it in turns in circle time to discuss how we were feeling and anything special going on in our lives. A few of the children have moved house recently, so they took the time whilst holding the feeling stick to discuss their new houses and bedrooms. We are going to extend this interest by making a display board on life transitions and initiate lots of conversations with the children to allow opportunities to express themselves about transitions which will support those children going to school in September.

Also to support those going to school, we have developed our role play area into a school – where we have uniform, book bags, pencils, writing books. We are also encouraging the children to speak about how they are feeling about school and any worries they may have – but the school home corner has been a big hit for all of the children!

Our letter of the month is **B**. The children have found objects around the nursery that start with B, such as basket, baby, ball, bat. We have created a 3D for the letter B which is being added too when the children recognise something starting with the letter B– why not try to find some objects when on the way to nursery and let us know what you find so we can put it on our display board!

We have enjoyed making puff pastry this week, the children loved having this for for snack time! The children were so proud of their creation!



Don't forget to check out Tapestry, Facebook and Instagram for more of the fun things we have been up to this week !

Upcoming Events

- **May Bank Holidays**- we will be closed to all sessions on Monday 3rd May and Monday 31st May
- **Half Term**- Monday 31st May- Sunday 6th June- No sessions for term time only children
- **Week commencing 5th May**- Eid celebrations
- **Monday 17th May**- School Leavers transition meeting. A meeting to discuss the transition to school for children attending school in September 2021.
- **Tuesday 1st June**- Elmer day. A celebration of reading and accepting ourselves and others despite our differences- just like Elmer the Elephant
- **Friday 18th June**- Father's day – Football in the park. More details to follow
- **Thursday 8th July**- Concept photography in to take picture of the children



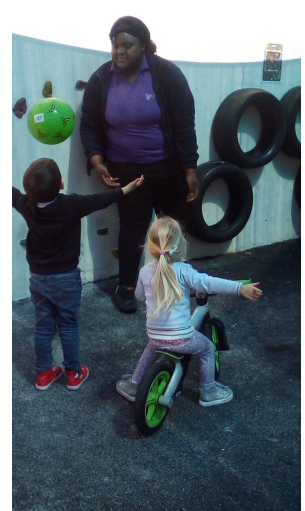
Sukhvir has been at Playdays for 18 months and works in the 2-5 room. Sukhvir has a real passion for childcare and enjoys coming up with new activities and games that will excite the children's interests and develop their learning. Sukhvir loves to spend time with the children, particularly enjoying role play activities and encouraging the children to build their confidence and self awareness through the use of role play. Sukhvir is also a mum to two children and loves her time at Playdays!



Sarah has been with Playdays for 17 months and holds a level 3 in childcare and education. Sarah has 8 years of experience in childcare and is currently putting her experience to use in our 2-5s room! Sarah enjoys planning learning experiences that encourage the children's language and communication skills through their own interests. Sarah takes the time to get to know each individual child's likes and interests and then plans purposeful activities which stimulate the children's communication skills. Sarah also loves to read to the children and enjoys messy and creative activities.

Look out for more 'Get to know the team' in next weeks newsletter!

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