

WEEK COMMENCING 9TH AUGUST 2021

PLAYDAYS NURSERY

FARNBOROUGH

What have we been up to?

Baby Centre- This week in our Baby Centre, we have been developing our fine and gross motor skills, through the use of different tools to mark make with. We have been using materials such as cotton wool, chalk, paint brushes and oats to create different marks on paper, card, cloths, and trays. We have created different types of playdough and sand to use to strengthen our hand muscles and motor skills; we have created kinetic sand, moon dough, gloop, and different coloured playdough.

Hedgehogs- This week in Hedgehog's, we have changed our planning to 'Space', based on the children's specific interests. We have been exploring space, rockets and spaceships through a range of sensory and messy play, such as moon dough, space tuff trays and moon sand. We then explored bugs and insects alongside pre-schools interest and have been to visit the 'bug hotel' that Pre-school have created for our garden, and we have also been able to look for different insects around the garden during our play.

Pre-school- This week in Pre-school, we have developed our planning into 'bug and insect' week, based on our stick insects that have hatched. This week we have been able to construct a 'bug hotel' made from natural resources, sticks and leaves. Pre-school have been able to investigate, explore and develop their learning with tools such as magnifying glasses. Pre-school have also been developing their knowledge of Understanding the World, by handling different bugs, insects and living things with care. We have been able to identify different bugs, insects and minibeasts by their names. Pre-school have then followed onto making their own insects out of a variety of arts and craft materials. We look forward to watching the rest of our stick insects hatch!

This week we have tasted foods from our 'around the world' themed menu. This week was Mexico!! We had a great time tasting foods from Mexico such as fajitas, nachos, mango, papaya, guacamole, and salsa.



Upcoming Events and Reminders

- **School Leavers-** If your child is starting school in September and their start date is staggered or they are doing 1/2 days, please let Sophie or Molly know if you would like some additional sessions around their school schedule and they will do their best to accommodate this
- **Drop off/Collection-** Please ensure you are dropping and collecting your child at the correct session times. Ratios are organised accordingly, and you may be at risk of being asked to wait if you are too early for your child's session or a late fee may be applied to your account.
- **Label clothing-** Please ensure all your child's belongings are clearly labelled to lower the risk of missing items.
- **COVID-19** -If your child displays any symptoms of COVID 19 (continuous cough OR a temperature OR loss of taste or smell- more information can be found at www.nhs.uk) or if they are unwell and you are unsure whether they should be attending nursery, please **DO NOT** bring them to nursery. Please ensure your child gets a PCR test and **NOT** a Lateral flow test. We kindly ask if your child remains with symptoms to not return to nursery until the symptoms clear. This is to reduce the risk of infections and other illnesses being spread
- **Prescribed Medication-** Please ensure all prescribed medication has been given for a minimum of 24 hours/ 4 doses before returning to nursery. We are able to give medication as long as the labelled medication is provided and it is signed in each day.

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Thank you!

Thank you so much to everyone who attended our open and fun day. It was lovely to see parents back in the nursery to see where their child/children spend their days! We really appreciate all of the feedback and lovely comments about our open day and can't wait to host future events.

Thank you again!

Next month we are focusing on 'Wicked Writers' as our play at home initiatives. Please see the memo section on Tapestry for further information and activities.