

World Book Day

World Book Day is an annual event celebrated on **Thursday, March 7th, 2024** to promote reading and celebrate books.

We encourage all children who attend on Thursdays, along with our staff, to participate by dressing up as their favourite book characters and bringing their favourite books to share with their friends. Our dedicated staff will also read their favourite stories throughout the day. It's going to be an all-day celebration, so don't miss out!

Red Nose Day / Comic Relief

Red Nose Day is set to take place on **Friday 15th March 2024!** We warmly invite all our staff and children who attend on Fridays to wear something red and take part in our all-day event.

As part of the festivities, we will be holding a fun Bake Sale at Bright Star Day Nursery. We have also planned a range of lovely Red Nose Day educational activities for everyone to enjoy.

One of the main activities for the day will be the Bake Sale, where children will have the opportunity to participate in the decision-making process.

They will be involved in choosing the cake they want to make, deciding how they will decorate it and discussing the best practices for selling as many cakes as possible to our lovely parents and carers.

The price of each cake will be £1, and all money raised from the sale will be donated to Comic Relief. We are excited to be taking part in this fantastic cause, and we hope to make this year's Red Nose Day event a huge success!

For more information, please visit <https://www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does/>.

Important dates

- **6th March 2024, INSET day.** The nursery will remain closed to children who attend term time only.
- **29th March 2024, Good Friday.** The nursery will remain closed to everyone.
- **1st April 2024, Easter Monday.** The nursery will remain closed to everyone.
- **Easter Holiday.** From the 29th of March until the 12th of April, the nursery will remain closed to children that attend term time only hours.
- **15th April 2024, INSET DAY.** The nursery will remain closed to everyone.

Upcoming events

- 7th Mar - World Book Day
- 10th Mar – Mother's Day
- 15th Mar - Red Nose Day / Comic Relief
- 17th Mar – St Patrick's Day
- 21st Mar – World Poetry Day

February birthdays

A very happy birthday to:

- Kaváhni
- Fabian
- Pedro
- William
- Alexandros
- Carter
- Evelina
- King



This month in the nursery

Valentine's Day was full of heartwarming activities in the nursery this month. The little ones were encouraged to participate in designing, decorating, and writing a kind message on a card.

They also enjoyed heart number matching and heart collage activities. The young babies had a blast creating heart handprints and playing with red sand. It was a lovely way to celebrate the month of love and spread kindness.

On **Pancake Day** children also enjoyed delicious pancakes cooked by the nursery cook Ms Norma.

On the 1st of March children and staff also celebrated **St. David's Day**.

Preschool children learned about Welsh culture and how Saint David helped spread the word of Christianity and could perform miracles.

Younger children participated in creating Daffodil craft cards and a dragon handprint activity.

Pre-school children have also experienced **multisensory learning activities** while learning about animals such as milking a cow.

They have learned where milk comes from that the cows eat a lot of grass and that the cow's stomachs form the grass into milk and the cows are milked either by hand or by a machine.



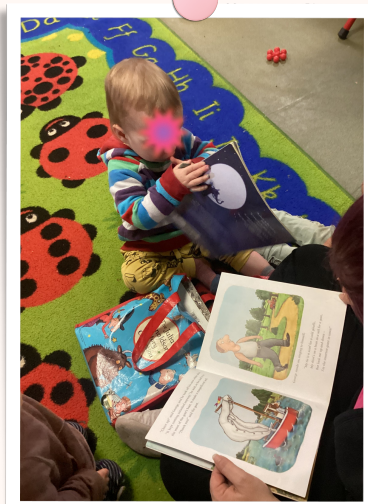
Theme of the term

The new theme for this term is **Minibeasts** and children have been learning and participating in a range of activities that involve all areas of learning and development, such as communication and language, personal, social and emotional development, physical development, literacy, mathematics, understanding the world and expressive arts and design.

Pre-school children have been supported to participate in different adult-led ladybird and insects maths activities and to practise a variety of maths skills, such as counting matching numerals and quantities, and 2D shapes.

All children have been supported in developing language comprehension necessary for both reading and writing.

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) states that language comprehension develops when adults talk with children about the world around them and the books stories rhymes, poems and songs together.



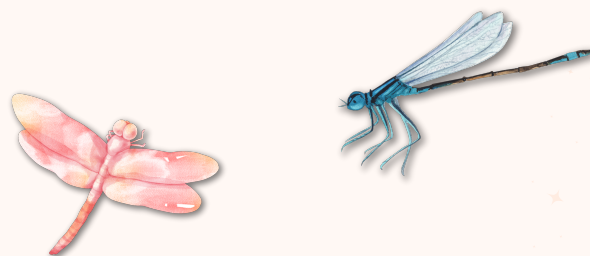
Fire drill

On Wednesday, March 28th, we conducted a fire drill at the nursery. It was a successful drill as we were able to evacuate the nursery in just three minutes and gather at our designated assembly point.

Our assembly point is located near Sainsbury's Click and Collect. All the children and staff were able to complete the drill without any issues.

Goodbyes

This month we said goodbye to the nursery assistants Ms Zanib and Ms Najma and we wish them all the best.



Safeguarding / Collection Policy

Ensuring the safety and security of your child is our top priority at Bright Star Day Nursery. Therefore, we have strict procedures in place to ensure that only authorized persons can collect children from our premises.

These authorized persons must be over the age of 18 and their details are recorded on the Child Collection Authorisation form.

This form also contains photographs of parents and authorized persons, as well as a password that is created by the parent.

By following these measures, we can ensure that your child is only in the care of responsible and authorized individuals.

If a parent is unable to pick up their child, other authorized persons listed on the collection authorization form may collect the child on behalf of the parent.

When the authorized person arrives, the Manager / Duty Manager will request the agreed password to confirm their identity.

The Manager / Duty Manager will check the photograph and password provided against the details on the child's file to ensure that the authorized person is indeed who they claims to be and to verify their identity before the child is handed over.

Parents must provide this information, including the password and authorized persons' details, during their child's settling-in period.

If the information provided, such as the password, does not match the details on the child's collection authorization form, the Manager / Duty Manager will contact you immediately to explain the situation.

Please note that a child will not be allowed to leave the premises without following the above process, even if the child recognizes and acknowledges the person attempting to collect them.

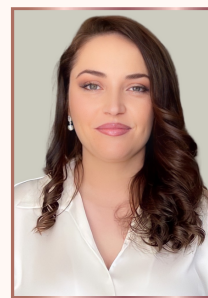
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Please do not hesitate to contact us with any safeguarding concerns.