

The Children's Learning

The children have been very busy this month and have been learning all about hearts. We made some lovely heart pictures, using paint and washing up liquid to create amazing bubble hearts.

One of the children at nursery had a fantastic idea and was using his broom to clean our windows in the garden. We had a discussion about the tools we need to clean and together we found a bucket and filled it with some soapy water, collected some sponges and began cleaning the windows at nursery. This was great fun and all of the children were excited to help and did a fantastic job making our windows sparkly clean. The children have also been very creative outdoors using the foam blocks and sand as cement to build walls. They used their spades to flatten out the 'cement' to make sure the bricks were extra strong.



Reminders

- Please collect your child promptly at the end of their session. If due to unforeseen circumstances you are likely to be late please call Nursery on 01753 865351.
- Please remember to let us know on the first day of absence if your child is too unwell to attend Pre-Nursery, or if they are not able to attend for any other reason. Please call 01753 865351 and leave a message using option 2.
- Please can we remind you to label everything to ensure we return any items to the correct child.

Don't forget!

Dates for your diary



Thursday 28th March - Break up for Easter holidays. The Lawns Pre-Nursery session finishes at 11.45am. There is no lunch club or afternoon session today.

Monday 15th April - Settling in for new children, Pre-Nursery closed to all existing children.

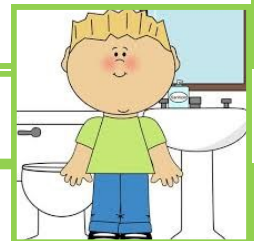
Tuesday 16th April - All children return to the Pre-Nursery, new children have staggered start dates

Monday 6th May - Bank holiday.

Friday 24th May - Term ends for the May half term.

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May - May half term

Potty/Toilet Training



Many parents ask us about potty training. Once you feel that your child is **ready** for potty/toilet training and **the time is right**, we will be very happy to support this at Nursery.

It is advisable to:

- Speak to your key person so we can work together;
- Ensure that your child is settled at Nursery and there are no other changes such as a house move or new baby etc;
- Read books about toilet training or use older siblings/peers as positive role models;
- **Don't use 'pull-ups'** - children need to experience being wet/dirty in order to understand and learn from 'accidents'. Pull-ups feel like nappies so they often confuse children and delay the toilet training process - mistakes are how we learn!;
- Have a good supply of pants/knickers at all times;
- Ensure your child is dressed in clothing that can easily be pulled down in a hurry (**no tight clothes, jeans or dungarees**) - tracksuit bottoms are perfect;
- **No reprimanding for accidents** as this will make the process stressful and may lead to more accidents!