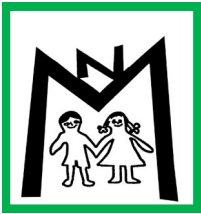


Maidenhead Nursery School



March 2024 Newsletter



The children's learning

At last some warm, sunny weather has facilitated different play outside with tulips and daffodils popping up all over the place. This week we have noticed our seeds we planted are growing even more. The children have commented on the changes noticing their stems are taller and the leaves are getting bigger.

In group time we have been thinking about different jobs that adults do and how some of them help us when we need it. The children used their problem solving skills to work out who would be the best person to help in different scenarios.

On Tuesday we were very lucky to have a visit from James the Paramedic (Betsy's dad). He told us some of the ways he helps people if they get hurt. The children explored some of the equipment he uses, listening to their hearts using the stethoscope and looking in their mouths with the special torch. We tried on his safety jacket and helmet - it was so heavy!

We will be having a visit by a doctor later in the week.



Next Week - Easter Celebrations

On Tuesday 26th March, next week we will be treated to a live music experience from Ziggy's Music. The children will be listening to different instruments, singing and learning some Easter songs and have a go at playing instruments too. ***If your child does not usually attend on a Tuesday and they would like to, please speak to your child's key person.***

We will be celebrating Easter together as we go on an egg hunt as well as enjoying Easter crafts, songs and stories together.



Dates for your diary!

Thursday 28th March - **End of term. Children break up for the Easter holidays. Nursery closes at 11.45am. There is no lunch club session today.**

Friday 29th March—Friday 12th April - **Easter holidays.**

Monday 15th April - **Home Visits. Nursery is closed.**

Tuesday 16th April - **New children induction today. Nursery is closed.**

Wednesday 17th April - **Children return to Nursery.**

Thursday 18th April—**New children start Nursery—Staggered starts for children.**

Monday 6th May - **Bank Holiday**

Wednesday 15th May—**Reptiles visit the Nursery today.**

Friday 24th May - **Break up for half term holidays.**

Polite Reminders

☺ Please bring in a healthy snack for children to share every now and then e.g. a pack of apples, breadsticks, rice cakes etc.

☺ Please check emails or our website for reminders, letters, weekly planning and newsletters (we do not give out paper letters).

☺ Please park safely and with consideration of our neighbours.



Speech Technique of the Month



I think I'm going to make an aeroplane with my playdough

That's a big tower!



Make a comment

Instead of asking a question.

Your child will learn more language hearing you talk rather than being asked questions.



When I went to the zoo I saw a tiger and some penguins

The wonder of woodwork

Woodwork is one of those really special activities that truly engages children and encompasses all areas of learning and development. We are so lucky to have our studio that can be accessed in all weathers, throughout the year developing;

- Physical coordination—fine and gross motor skills and hand- eye coordination
- Mathematical development—spatial awareness
- Understanding of the World – seeing tools as technology
- Communication and Language — using language to talk about their ideas and to problem solve
- Mark-making and drawing to plan ideas
- Building confidence – it is really empowering for children to create with real tools and they take pride in their achievements.



The children love showing you what they have created – but remember the real product that is being made is the changes within the child! As children make with wood they are learning skills that will empower them to shape their world - encouraging them to become the innovators, makers, sculptors, tinkerers, engineers and architects of tomorrow!

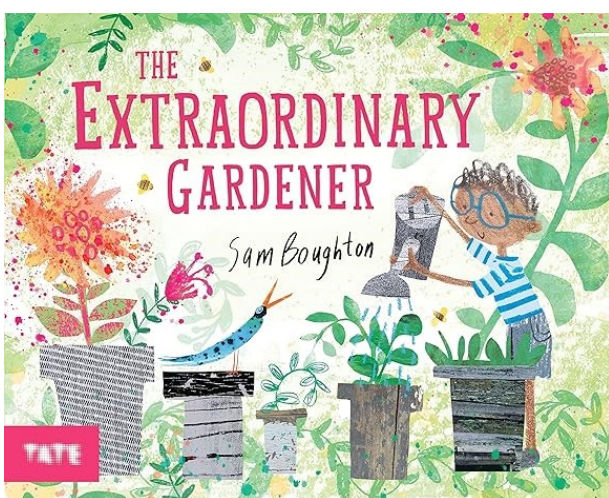


To find out more about the wonders of woodwork please see the attached leaflet and website.

The Wonder of Woodwork

<https://irresistible-learning.co.uk/woodwork/>

Book recommendation of the month ...



Our book recommendation this month is *The Extraordinary Gardener* by Sam Boughton.

A beautifully illustrated story about a boy full of imagination. At this time of year, as we move into Spring, we see plants growing all around us and this book perfectly shows the excitement of planting, growing and seeing an environment transformed by nature.