



# Hargate Avenue Newsletter January to February



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We hope you've all had a fabulous Christmas and wish you all a very Happy New Year for 2018. Welcome back.

A big Fisherfield WELCOME also, to all the families who are joining us this year. If there is anything you are concerned about please ask the team for help, we are here to help your child settle in and to put your minds at rest.

The children in the nursery have been really busy over the last couple of months and we have some fabulous plans for the New Year.

## LITTLE LAMBS TOPIC – Sensory Play



Little Lambs would like to welcome all their new children and parents who have joined them in January.

Lambs are currently working on developing their sensory play indoor and outdoor areas. The new children love the black and white snug area, and the natural sensory bottles to explore outside.

Look out for the sensory topic in Lambs & the brown bags to get involved at home.



## FARMERS TOPIC - Literacy



Farmers have been focusing on their literacy projects and carrying out lots of activities to link to them.

The books are 'We're Going On A Bear Hunt' and 'Don't Call Me Sweet'.

The Farmers have built a sensory indoor Bear Hunt trail.

Outdoors, the children made Bear Hunt sensory bottles.



They even made 'Bug-Eyed' stew from the story Don't Call Me Sweet story. Any takers?

Parents have been getting involved at home by making their own bug-eyed stews & going on 'Bear-Hunt' walks.

Thank you for supporting this idea.



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## **STAFF CHANGES**



Welcome to Zoe Dewhurst who has recently transferred from one of our Bury nurseries. Zoe will be working alongside Catherine in the Assistant Manager's role until April 2018. We wish Zoe all the best of luck in her new role. Also more news, Megan has recently moved into the Lambs Room.

## **THANK YOU MESSAGES**

Thank you to all the parents who have sent in lots of pictures via ParentZone, we really appreciate it, and also for the use of the paper bags we have been sending home linking to our room topics. We have had many back with lots of things inside to help support the children's learning and development.

## **PARENTS' COMMITTEE**

Would you like to be part of our Parents' Committee and add YOUR voice to our vision, activities and priorities for improvement. If you are interested please speak to Hayley.

## **NURSERY COUNCIL UPDATES**

The Farmers Nursery Council met up on 4<sup>th</sup> Jan and evaluated their room, highlighting the areas they like and dislike. They have decided to focus on the construction area and are working as a team to enhance this area. Watch this space!

## **QUESTION OF THE MONTH**

How do you support your child's learning and development at home? Each month two of your suggested activities will be displayed on iConnect and the main door to encourage home learning. We would love to see your response to this on iConnect. There is an iConnect workshop in February for anyone interested.

## **Dates for Diary**

Wed Feb 14 <sup>th</sup>	Valentine's Day – We will be having a Bake Sale & Hamper Raffle Please ask for more details
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Chinese New Year – The Year of The Dog – Dress for a Party!
Mon Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	iConnect Training for Parents/Carers
12 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	HALF TERM

## **FANCY A PARTY?**



Did you know that Running Wild, our exclusive children's party centre, located on the top floor at Fisherfield in Middleton, is now on Facebook?

Search 'Running Wild Parties' and like the page to keep up to date with events and news.

If you're interested in booking your child's Private Party at Running Wild, please go to

[www.runningwildparties.co.uk](http://www.runningwildparties.co.uk) - or call Paula on 0161 653 1996

For all current info/updates [www.fisherfieldchildcare.co.uk](http://www.fisherfieldchildcare.co.uk)

Bye for now

Hayley & Team



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