

Monkey Puzzle Ware

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Dates for your diary

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day (fancy dress)

Friday 13th March

Red Nose Day

Thursday 9th April

Inset Day (nursery closed)

Dear Parents,

If your child is due to receive funding next term, please make an appointment with Amy to speak about your options.

We are having a garden revamp in time for summer, we are looking to acquire:

- Planks
- Logs
- Guttering
- Fabrics
- Go kart tyres
- Cable drums
- Wood offcuts

If you can help with any of this, please let the office know.

A massive congratulations to Krissy who gave birth to baby Louis on 26th January <3



Kind Regards,

The Management Team

Mel's kitchen...



I am Mel, and I enjoy making scrumptious meals for your little monkeys... I hope you like my menu for next week, but if you do have some suggestions or recipes you would like to add do let me know 😊

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy	Cereal + Toast Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy
AM Snack	Breadsticks and dip Gluten, Dairy	Fruit selection	Pitta bread and houmous Gluten,	Fruit selection	Fruit loaf and butter
Lunch	Fish cakes, crispy potatoes and peas Chocolate Krispy Cake Gluten, Dairy	Chicken curry and rice Yogurt Dairy,	Toasty butternut squash bake Lemon cupcakes Gluten, Dairy	Tuna pasta Peaches and custard Gluten, Dairy	Spaghetti and meatballs Yogurt Gluten, Dairy
PM Snack	Fruit selection	Cheese and crackers Gluten, Dairy	Fruit selection	Cheddar biscuits Dairy Gluten	Fruit selection Gluten, Dairy
Tea	Beans on Wholemeal Toast Yoghurt Gluten, Dairy	Tuna and mayo bagels and salad Shortbread Gluten, Dairy, Raw tomatoes	Mixed sandwiches and salad Yogurt Gluten, Dairy, Raw tomatoes	Sausage rolls and salad Gingerbread Gluten, Dairy, Raw tomatoes	Ham and cheese wraps and salad Orange cookies Gluten, Dairy, Raw tomatoes

What's on in Baby Room...

This week...

This week in baby room we have been looking for hidden objects, this helps us to identify objects by name and promotes our understanding.

We have also been looking at the Teeth are not for Biting and the Hands are not for Hitting stories to encourage our older children to learn to express their emotions.



Next week...

Next week in baby room we will be exploring sinking and floating through water play, we will also be able to practise pouring and we'll learn about shape, space and measure through emptying and filling containers.

The children will also explore shape and measure through puzzles and shape sorters this week.

We will be enjoying a messy activity which consists on painting using balls!

Our songs of the month...

1. Baa Baa Black Sheep
2. Row, Row, Row Your Boat
3. 5 Cheeky Monkeys

Baby sign of the week...



Sheep

Things you can do with me at home to extend my learning...

- Explore containers with me at home in the bath so I can practise pouring and explore shape, space and measure
- Encourage me to be gentle and kind to my dollies or teddy bears

What's on in Toddler Room...

This week...

This week we have been working on 'who', 'where' and 'what' questions using stories and singing.

We have also been learning all about Chinese New Year, we have made lanterns and paper plate rats and we had a Chinese lunch on Tuesday!

We have enjoyed our story of the month which encouraged us to learn colours, count and to explore the butterfly life cycle.



Next week...

Next week in toddlers we will be exploring colour and how colour can be changed using paint! We will probably get rather messy so send me to nursery in old clothes. We will also be categorising objects according to colour.

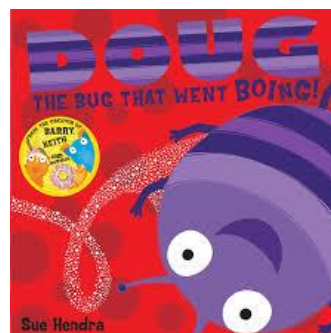
We will also be looking at our story of the month and others to see if we can join in with the repeated refrains and rhymes.

We will also be encouraging independence when getting ready for the garden.

Our songs of the month...

1. Incy Wincy Spider
2. Grand Old Duke of York
3. Humpty Dumpty

Our story of the month...



Things you can do with me at home to extend my learning...

- Encourage me to try to put my own clothes, coats or shoes on to instil independence in me
- Give me ample time to reply to your questions before you answer for me, sometimes I need 30s to be able to process what you said and formulate my reply

What's on in the Pre-School Room...

Our songs of the month...

1. Jack and Jill went up the Hill
2. Row, Row, Row Your Boat
3. When I was 1

Our story of the month...

Little Red Riding Hood

This week...

This week we have been drawing our friends, this has encouraged us to hold pencils and look at similarities and differences between us.

We have also been learning about Chinese New Year and the year of the rat.

Forest School...

This week during forest school we have been finding resources that animals use to make their homes. Next week we will be making mud faces, we will take some playdough on the trip and create faces from our story of the month using natural, found objects.

Next week...

Next week we will be making wolf masks to use for props to act out our story of the month. This will encourage us to work on our pencil and scissor control.

We will also be making wanted posters for the Big Bad Wolf, our grown ups will scribe for us and we will be drawing pictures of the wolf.

We will also be exploring adding and subtracting using water play with jugs to measure.

Our letter sound of the month is... **A** (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ksblMiliA8>)

Things you can do with me at home to extend my learning...

- Allow me to practise using scissors at home, give me the opportunity to cut a variety of textures depending on my ability, this could be lettuce, cooked spaghetti, string etc.

