



Happy Easter!



Tiggywinkles

This week in Tiggywinkles, the children enjoyed seasonal activities linked to Easter, alongside opportunities to develop their skills across all areas of learning. They explored farm animals through small world play using their imagination to create their own stories and build on their communication and language skills. The children developed their early maths skills through activities such as counting objects, exploring patterns and recognising shapes. Activities like “how many eggs are in the basket?” and pattern work helped to build confidence in counting and recognising simple sequences. Creative activities were a highlight this week, with the children enjoying making Easter cards, decorating eggs and creating chicks using a variety of materials. These activities encouraged creativity while also supporting fine motor development. Fine motor skills were further developed through activities such as dough disco, threading, using tweezers and painting with cotton buds. These experiences helped to strengthen hand muscles and improve coordination. The children also enjoyed outdoor learning, including forest school sessions and an Easter egg hunt, which supported their physical development, teamwork and exploration of the natural environment.

Nutkins

This week in Nutkins, the children have been revisiting their Heroes and Villains topic, taking part in a range of activities to recap and build on their previous learning. They enjoyed discussing different characters, sharing ideas and engaging in imaginative play, helping to develop their communication, confidence and storytelling skills. Alongside this, the children have been focusing on Easter-themed crafts and activities. They explored a variety of creative

materials to make their own Easter decorations, encouraging self-expression and creativity. These activities also supported the children's fine motor development, as they practised cutting, sticking, painting and using a range of tools with increasing control. Throughout the week the children remained engaged and enthusiastic, continuing to build their independence and confidence while learning through play.

Puddleducks

This week in Puddleducks the children have been exploring activities linked to *The Gingerbread Man*, alongside a range of Easter-themed experiences. They enjoyed listening to the story and joining in with familiar parts, helping to build their confidence in communication and storytelling. The children took part in a variety of hands-on activities including decorating gingerbread men, making their own and exploring dough through sensory play. These activities supported their creativity as well as their fine motor development. Early maths skills were developed through activities such as size sorting, number hunts and comparing quantities, helping the children to build confidence in counting and understanding simple mathematical concepts. The children also enjoyed construction activities, such as building bridges and houses, encouraging problem solving, imagination and teamwork. Creative activities were a big focus this week, with the children taking part in Easter crafts including painting eggs, making egg decorations and exploring different materials and textures.

Toys at Pre-School

To help prepare the children for their transition to school, we kindly ask that toys are not brought into preschool from home. This helps the children focus on the activities and resources available in the setting and supports them in developing independence and responsibility, similar to expectations in school.

Toilet Training

Toilet training can be very hard and stressful for many families. That's why we always signpost to ERIC for advice on how to manage toilet training and the best tips and tricks.

<https://eric.org.uk/potty-training/>

Week 1:
How to spot the signs of readiness



Forest School

Please remember to bring in wellies and waterproof clothing for your child on Mondays for Forest School. This will allow them to stay comfortable and fully enjoy exploring, playing and learning outdoors in all weathers.

Please don't put clothing in plastic bags, they are a suffocation hazard. Please only use your child's usual bag or a drawstring bag

