

## Dear Families,

Wow, what a busy month we have had. We continued to welcome in our new families and the children have settled well into their rooms. The Team have been spending time getting to know each of the children and their interests to help plan future provocations.

Now we are a little more settled, all the rooms have been taking the opportunity to get out and about with the children, giving them the chance to really explore the local area and to get involved within the community.

This month has seen us join the Library and now the children are taking regular trips there on the bus. It has been great to hear the buzz of excitement around the Nursery as the children are finding new stories to read and share with each other.

The chicks were fantastic to have in the Nursery and it has been brilliant to see both the children's and their families enjoyment of watching the eggs hatch into little fluffy chicks. The children in Transition were great at taking responsibility of the cleaning and feeding of the chicks each day that we had them.

The whole Nursery have been exploring music and sounds with the Boogie Mites tracks along with the different props and instruments we have. The children are really getting to know some of the songs and have been tapping their sticks along to the music and using our large entrance area to really embrace the music and movement.

Have you seen our Home Learning Bags? They are located near our front door and have lots of interesting things for you to try at home.

Kind Regards  
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Nursery Manager



## Babies

The Babies have been very busy this month getting out and about. They visited the Library and Romsey Memorial Park to feed the ducks by catching the public buses. They have had some fantastic provocations including a Peter Rabbit tough spot that encouraged lots of sensory exploration from the babies, making links to their own real life experiences. The children have shown a big interest in heuristic play, spending time exploring every day objects and making connections between what they are doing now and what they know has happened before. The Babies have been fascinated by the chicks that came to visit us and looked at different books about chicks and they also enjoyed stroking their soft feathers! During June we will be further exploring the wider community and offering new and exciting experiences.



## Toddlers

Following the children's interests, Toddlers have been busy making their own play dough. They added different ingredients including types of flour as well as herbs and spices to vary the textures and smells of the doughs. This has led to the children taking a trip to the shop to buy ingredients to make their own bread. This was a great provocation that made links between their real life experiences of eating bread and their knowledge of mixing together ingredients to create an end product. The children took a real interest in the eggs when they arrived and were waiting with anticipation for the chicks to hatch, this has sparked lots of great conversations and the children have been using new words to express what they have seen. During June we will be building on these interests.

## Transition

What an exciting month in Transition! The children started the month with a couple of visits to the local Garden Centre where they picked out the different types of fruits and vegetable seeds that they wanted to grow at Nursery. They have all been involved in planting the seeds and watching them grow, learning about the different things plants need to grow well. Once the seeds had grown a little the children were able to plant these outside in our vegetable patch where they will continue to look after them, waiting to see what delicious fruits and vegetables grow. A real wow in Transition has been the children's interpretations of animals using natural materials and photo frames which is something we will continue to explore in June. The children showed lots of excitement around the chicks hatching and have been looking at growth, change and life cycles of different animals.

