

Dear Families,



April already and we are now officially in to British Summertime! Let's hope that by the end of this month we will be able to say that the children have loved playing out in the sunshine every day!

With Easter just around the corner we will be talking about the Easter Story. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt taking place in the last week of term; more details to follow!

Can I remind you all that our Parent Consultations will be commencing in April. This is an opportunity to spend 10 minutes with your child's Key Person to discuss their development and how we will be planning their next steps during the summer ahead. Please let us know if you need to arrange an alternative date to what is on offer and we will try to accommodate you as best as we can.

I would like to take this opportunity to really thank you all for making me feel so very welcome here at Yellow Dot Eastleigh. It has been a busy first few weeks, with my training and induction in full swing, and I now look forward to the next chapter of spending time in the rooms with the team, children and families and really getting to know you all.

I am still learning as I go but please do not hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions (or just to say Hello!) and I will do my best to answer you as quickly as I can.

My door is always open to you all.

Best wishes,

Natalie Ryves

Nursery Manager

Red Nose Day



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Dates for your Diary

- **Nursery closed for Bank Holidays**
Friday 19th April and Monday 22nd April

Babies

This month we have been exploring the community and attending baby bounce sessions at the Library, as well as visiting our local soft play centre to support developing physical skills. We also went to the market to get some fresh fruit, vegetables and flowers and have been exploring them using our senses. We hope you enjoyed your Mothers Day cards! We have had fun painting and making marks with chalk. And been observing the flowers we planted, grow in the garden and the children are excited to see them get even more beautiful during Spring.



Toddlers

The Toddler room have been very busy making a bear hunt board. We have also been practicing schemas with Lindsay. The children have been keen to role play with dolls and so we are making a role play area for the children, and a display board to go with it. We even have a pretend potty and bath for our dolls. The Toddlers have been busy making cards and are also going to be exploring soil and plant pots. The team will be creating Spring boards and baskets for the children to explore.



Transition

In Transition we have been looking at our favourite stories to help us celebrate World Book Day. We chose the "Gruffalo" and "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" as some of our favourite books, and then created our own life size versions of each character to decorate our hallway! We have been very proud showing off our creations to our parents and teachers. We have also introduced Spring by doing some observational flower painting and then planting some of our own flowers that we can watch grow over the next few months.



Kindergarten

In Kindergarten we have been introducing Spring to the children. They helped Caroline create their own Spring display, looking closely at the animals that we see during this season, as well looking at nocturnal animals. The children have been practising their breathing exercises in order to manage their feelings and emotions and have been introduced to Ruby the bunny (named by the children themselves!) to support using quiet voices when we are indoors. Kindergarten have been doing observational paintings of flowers in particular daffodils for St. David's Day and also tulips. They have been looking at shapes and colour in order to create some lovely art work. Kindergarten will continue to look at signs of Spring during walks around the park, participating in listening games to support with differentiating between different sounds. We will also look into other artist to inspire different paint strokes just like our Vincent Van Gogh inspired paintings of the starry night.

