



Dear Families,

March has seen the children and Team exploring all the new signs of Spring, getting out and about in our local area on the hunt for beautiful flowers and signs of new life. The children in Kindergarten have been doing some observational drawings during their walks. Thank you for all your fantastic donations towards Red Nose Day, we raised a fantastic £188.93!!

The whole Nursery have been busy getting creative and made some beautiful Mother's Day cards which we hope you enjoyed.

As we continue to support the children in making links with the community we have seen the children in Kindergarten grow in confidence with each visit to the care home. Each week, the children plan their trip with their supportive adults, bringing lots of fun to the residents as well as learning some important social and communication skills. Our younger children have also been visiting every couple of weeks for a singing session which is enjoyed by all.

We celebrated our 2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday in style with a whole Nursery party and a yummy cake to share.

If you are looking to increase your sessions in September please let me know, so I may check what availability we have to offer you.

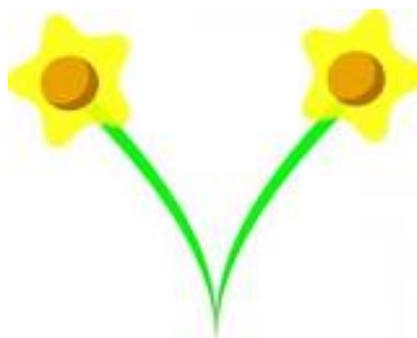
Kind regards

*Hayley James*

Nursery Manager

## Diary Dates

- **Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April
- **Nursery closed for Good Friday and Easter Monday**  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> and Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- **Ducklings arriving!**  
14<sup>th</sup> May
- **Nursery Photos**  
18<sup>th</sup> June



## Babies

What a busy month the Babies have had exploring all the new signs of Spring. They have been using their senses to smell different flowers and using seasonal coloured paints to create some beautiful pictures which the Team have displayed in the room. Following the Babies love of books and colours, we have introduced Elma stories, with some brightly coloured sensory trays to explore. Over the next few weeks we will see the children looking at different weather linking to seasonal changes.



## Toddlers

The Toddlers have been busy this last month looking for signs of Spring as they plant new flowers in the garden. To link with this experience, the children have had the opportunity to explore soil and seeds with a variety of scoops, garden tools and containers, supporting their hand-eye coordination. We have been planning some great provocations that have supported new skills in the creative workshop following interests developed from making their own play dough. The children have also had the cooks hats on making some delicious pizzas!



## Transition

During March, the children have been keen to explore play dough, following this we have been supporting the children with clay, using their fingers and thumbs to create small plant pots. Alongside this, the Transition have been planting sunflower seeds, they have been talking about what the plant needs to grow and the children have taken responsibility to make sure they have been watered regularly. We have been organising lots of trips out and about to look at the changes in our environment as we go through seasonal changes, some of them were lucky enough to have some good weather and spend the day at Hillier's to support this.



## Kindergarten

March has seen the Kindergarten children exploring both the end of Winter and the start of Spring and looking at the differences. The children have been busy using a variety of different creative materials over the past few weeks to create different flowers and Spring pictures whilst practicing their fine motor skills. Linking this to the children's next steps of pencil control and beginning to write letters in their names as we begin our term of School readiness. Over the next few weeks, as you find out your child's School, please let the Kindergarten Team know, so we can share your child's progress and arrange visits with Teachers.

