

May 2021 Newsletter



Notes from Sarah

April has brought us sunshine and showers. We do play out in all weathers so please make sure your child has a coat when it is showery and their own sun cream if they are allergic to the one that we provide.

Now that the school places have been confirmed we will be organising transition meetings with the various schools. Please let us know your child's school place if you have not already informed us. Please could you also let us know of your child's last day at Preschool. This information is important to ensure that deposits are returned on the child's last day, or they can be used for the last month's fees.

We are very excited that we will be having duck eggs at preschool again this month. We look forward to sharing with you the journey from egg to duckling. We will post updates as the eggs hatch.

Staff news

We are sorry to say that Jackson will not be returning to preschool. Jackson is making a good recovery but feels that returning to work would be too much at this stage. We wish him all the best and hope that he will visit us soon.

We are interviewing this week and will let you know when we have appointed a replacement.

Profiles and school reports

We are currently working on the school reports and profiles for all children. We are hoping that by the end of June that some of the Covid restrictions will have been lifted and that we will once again be able to have a face to face parent evening. We have put provisional dates of Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th June in the diary. Parents Evening provides an opportunity for you to speak with your child's key person regarding your child's progress at Elan. We will email your child's profile assessment/school report approximately one week before the Parents Evening to enable this to be discussed during the evening.

If you are unable to make parents evening, we will look at offering you an alternative time during our opening hours. Please speak to your child's key person to rearrange a convenient time. If we are unable to hold the face to face parents evening, we will once again offer telephone/Zoom meetings.

Family First Aid Course Information

Please remember to book the following essential First Aid Training.

Elan Pre-School mum, Katie Jardine, owner of Andersson First Aid Training, is running a Family First Aid course for any parents at Elan Nursery Pre School who would like to learn basic skills to look after their baby's or children at home or refresh skills they may have learnt in the past.

Date: Tuesday 18th May

Time: 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Location: Online via Zoom meeting

The course will include:

- Helping a baby or child who is unresponsive but breathing
- Performing CPR
- Helping a baby or child who is choking
- Helping a baby or child who is bleeding
- Helping a baby or child who has burnt themselves

Discussing what to include in your first aid kit and things to think about at home to help you

Cost: £20.00 per person

To book your place on the course: Email Katie at katie@anderssonfirstaidtraining.co.uk

Dates for the Diary

Monday 3rd May
Closed Bank Holiday Monday

Monday 10th May
Duck eggs arrive at preschool

Monday 31st May
Closed Bank Holiday Monday

Wed 23rd & Thurs 24th June
Parents evenings

Extra-curricular activities

Monday - ProTot Sports

Phonic of the Month

F & B

Book of the Month

Eggs and Chicks
by Usborne beginners



Signs of the Month

Duck, Egg

Fruit of the month

Cherries

Veg of the month

Asparagus



Notes from Cloe

April has been a month filled with lots of events, celebrations and changes! We are starting to see some more signs of spring, longer days and more sunshine... hooray!

We started the month with April fool's day seeing us in to a more positive time; the children loved telling their best jokes to one another and it was delightful to see them use their creativity to make up their own.

We love our stories at pre-school, and on the 2nd, we celebrated "international book day" by reading some special books, some new, some old favourites and some which were made by the children throughout the day at preschool!

With all things egg, bunny and chick themed, the children were very excited with Easter falling on this month and we absolutely LOVED being able to be involved with the children creating some wonderful moments for them- and us! The Easter bunny came to pre-school and we enjoyed a very egg-citing egg hunt. The children decorated their very own egg pictures, made their own bunny puppets, loved getting messy and exploring various Easter and spring tuff trays. We hope you enjoyed a very well deserved bank holiday break!

We love going out and exploring the woods, and with "world health day", pre-school went for walks to the woods and the field where we played group sports such as football, bat and ball and had races. We looked at the ways we can look after our bodies and how they work. Using our cutting and sticking/ sorting skills, we discussed and organised pictures of foods into certain groups and learnt how they can give us energy. The children loved using our mouth models and tooth brushes to practice cleaning the teeth and we talked about the importance of looking after our own teeth too!

On the 9th and 11th we celebrated "unicorn day" and "pet day", the children used construction toys to make their own pre-school pets and unicorns. Some of us were very excited to share stories about our own pets and what they get up to at home and what pet we could have if we could have anything!

For Chinese language day, we learnt to write numbers 0-10, made our own dragon puppets, took part in small circle times where we learnt how to say "hello" to each other in Chinese and put on puppet shows with the dragons and had lots of fun.

On the 21st, we celebrated The Queen's birthday. The green bubble enjoyed a "royal themed" day where we made our own beautiful crowns, embellished with sequins, tissue paper and wonderful drawings... perfect for royalty! The children also made flags and learnt about the queen and why she has two birthdays. In the afternoon, we threw a royal ball disco where we put on our dancing shoes and showed off our best moves!

The children love learning about the world and everything in it which was perfect as on the 22nd we celebrated "Earth day", we explored a range of tuff tray worlds from Arctic themed, jungle and the oceans too! We learnt about different climates and how some animals only stay in one place for their life, while others can migrate and the importance of looking after and being kind to our planet to ensure the well-being of the animals.

We are all super and each have our own talents and things that make us special! On the 28th we enjoyed acknowledging this as it was "Superhero day". Of course we had to make our own superhero pictures of our favourites... Hulk, Spiderman and Batman to name a few... some of us even invented our own characters and showed others the powers we had. The children were very patient with each other during small group times where we talked about the things that make us great and why we think others are "super" too!

With April coming to an end and new beginnings coming our way, I hope May brings you nothing but happiness and positivity.



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