

Our Nursery Topics

Sarah and the staff team have been busy preparing the nursery Topic Plan for the next six months ahead, all of our topic information is found on page 2 of our monthly newsletter. The room leaders and/or senior nursery staff will keep you up to date with room specific topic ideas and provide you with information about how parents, carers and friends can also become involved both at home and at nursery.

A very big thank you to everyone who has supported this months topic 'A Day in the Life of'. So many of our parents and family members have been kind enough to talk to the children about their jobs and/or hobbies, this has enabled the children to participate in some fascinating and practical invaluable learning experiences.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

We look forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March where children and staff are invited to attend nursery dressed as their favourite fictional character. Don't forget your Extreme Reading Challenge entries too!



Policies & Procedures Update

Our Policies & Procedures are currently being updated which means they are temporarily unavailable via the website. If you would like to view our Policies & Procedures please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.

Forest School

The start of 2020 has been busy for all of the children and their families attending Forest School with Fiona and her team. The Big Bird Watch was great fun, all of the nursery children, afterschool children, Forest School club children and staff helped us quietly count the birds in our garden and local woodland areas. Our older Forest School children are confidently able to identify many of the popular British Garden Birds and have also enjoyed discussing where they live and what they eat during the winter months. Many of our younger Forest School children have enjoyed making bird cakes to hang in the gardens and ensure the birds have plenty of food available during the poor winter weather.

During February half term our holiday club children spent time caring for the woodland following the recent storms. Alongside Sarah Stebbing from the Woodland Trust, the children have planted new trees around the Forest School site. We are very much looking forward to some better weather!



Nursery Telephone Number

The telephone number for Lower Covey is 01935 488215. We are aware the number found when searching on Google is incorrect and have attempted to amend it several times. Please ensure you have the correct one saved.



Nursery Pick Up Times

A polite reminder to parents regarding our nursery pick up times. We are having problems at lunchtime with several parents arriving very late. The lunchtime collection is at 12.15pm - please could you ensure you arrive **BEFORE** this time and collect your child to enable us to continue with lunch for those children attending.

Integrate



P.H.E.W (PARENTS HEALTH & EMOTIONAL WELLBEING)

This is a safe space to come and chill,
 have a cuppa and a cake and make friends.

1st Thursday of the month 7.00 - 9.00pm
 The GateWay, Yeovil, Somerset, BA20 1QN

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT VANESSA SMITH ON 07540843635 OR ANDREW GRUNDELL ON 07870257012

Sports Relief - Friday 13th March

This years nursery Sports Relief theme "It's Game On!" will incorporate a variety of age appropriate games featuring Spot The Dog! Nadia and Ellie are going to take a lead on planning exciting activities for the children and all donations received will be sent to the Sport Relief fund.

For further information about this years Sport Relief please visit <https://www.sportrelief.com/>



Upcoming Fundraising for Hospice UK

During the coming two months you will notice a couple of fundraising events scheduled. We are holding these events at Lower Covey and all profits will go to support Catherine and her fundraising efforts for the London Marathon and her chosen charity Hospice UK.

Here is a quick message from Catherine:

"I am training and fundraising for the London Marathon 2020 in aid of Hospice UK and in memory of my mum. Our local hospice was a tremendous support for my mum whilst living with her terminal illness for five years. My mum was a very giving person, she loved to help people and I know she would be smiling to see money raised in her honour for

such a good cause. Hospice UK is the national charity for hospice and palliative care. It is an incredible cause that touches most of us throughout our lives, please dig deep and donate, it will make a big difference! Thank you!"



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Important Dates & Events

Visit the nursery website for all of our term date information
www.lowercovey.co.uk

24 Feb	TTO and ASC children return after HT break
25 Feb	Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day
5 Mar	World Book Day
6 Mar	Extreme Reading Competition Entries Due
13 Mar	Sport Relief - "It's Game On!"
27 Mar	Takeaway Curry Fundraiser Evening
4 Apr	Charcoal Burn Weekend @ Forest School
5 Apr	Charcoal Burn Weekend @ Forest School
6 Apr	Easter Holidays Begin (TTO/ASC children)
10 Apr	Good Friday - NURSERY CLOSED
13 Apr	Easter Monday - NURSERY CLOSED
20 Apr	Children return after Easter Holiday Break
8 May	VE Day Bank Holiday - NURSERY CLOSED
25 May	Half Term begins (TTO/ASC children)
25 May	May Bank Holiday - NURSERY CLOSED
1 Jun	TTO and ASC children return after HT break
5 Jun	Pyjamarama - Books Trust

This Months Mindful Tip - Sleep Problems

Please see the attached PDF from charity Mind and use the below link for more everyday tips!

<https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/tips-for-everyday-living/>



Monthly Health Focus - Miles for March

How far can we travel in March? Help us track your miles, be it running, walking, cycling, scootering, well anyway really! to see how far we can travel! Can we make it around the world???



Introducing Next Months Project

In March the monthly topic is Our Community, we will be encouraging the children to consider our neighbours, discuss how we look after our villages & towns and also talk about kindness & helpfulness. Towards the end of the month it's the Great British Clean Up, we hope you will assist us and the nation in cleaning up our countryside - more information to follow soon!

Upcoming Nursery Projects

February	A Day in the Life Of...
March	Our Community
April	Making Sounds
May	Services Through the Years
June	Our Garden
July	The Olympics
August	Marvellous Maria Montessori

Follow us on Facebook! Please 'like' and 'share' our posts to inform other parents about our events.



Forest Fawns Woodland Baby & Toddler Group - Wednesdays (Term Time) 9.30am - 11am @ Veckland Wood