



Tiggers @ Tetbury's

Summer Newsletter 2018

WOW! What a busy term we have had here at Tiggers! We now have a special 'Eco Club' which had their first committee meeting last week where the children discussed as a group how and why we recycle and how we can save electricity by turning off the lights that we don't need to be on! Please have a look on the display board in the corridor where you will find the meetings minutes!

The Acorn room would like to welcome back Fern who has returned from her maternity leave and will be running the Acorn room! Fern is also the Deputy Manager for the 'Under 3's'.

In a couple of weeks, we will also be welcoming Natalie [from Pre-School] who will be the Acorn room deputy! Lots of exciting changes! The little acorns have been super busy creating their summer board, using their feet and

hands to make footprints in the sand and create snappy crabs!

Fern has been busy transforming our Wendy house in the garden. It's had a lick of paint and some fairies have moved in! Very magical! The babies have had a blast going in and out!

The Acorn room staff have also been helping children to settle into the room and to transition to Willows.

All children have done really well with this and seem very happy! Fern and her little acorns have had a go at making some tasty 'herby bread'. They helped to mix the flour and water together and felt the dough when it was ready to be cooked! This went down very well when it was time to eat it!

Some of the Acorns have been trying very hard to

start crawling or walking! Fern and Tracy have been helping them by encouraging cruising and lots of tummy time!

Fern's future plans for the Acorn room are to help Natalie settle in as deputy room leader, continue decorating the 'Summer' display, explore more messy play and cooking activities and to extend the sensory baskets!



Moving into the Willow Room now who

have been extremely busy exploring different parts of the world by tasting various food, doing craft activities and cooking lots of yummy things to eat!

Lauren and her team have been helping the children to look after their beautiful sunflowers in the garden by watering them

every day! The Willows have been getting into the 'World Cup' by selecting who they think will win!! Willows also had some daddies come into play for Father's Day play sessions which was lovely too!



Lauren has been working hard to introduce new and exciting messy play sessions for the children to explore! And of course because of this amazing weather we have been having there has been lots of water play going on which the children have showed great interest in! Lots of splashing!!

Lauren's future plans for her 'whirlwind willows' are to continue to explore different countries around the world, create a special book to display all of the children's holidays in (please request a sheet to fill in from Lauren), introduce more songs for the children to sing and dance to and Lauren would love to incorporate a story telling session into her daily routine with the children!

Jumping into the Maple Room where Josie and her team have been talking lots

about recycling with the children, discussing how and why we need to recycle!

They have also been reading lots of their favourite books and dressing up for 'World Book Day', they even made tummy 'Gruffalo Crumble'.

The Mini Maples had a 'Mini Beast Week' where they took part in bug hunts in the garden and created a beautiful butterfly and insect display board! Josie has been helping the children keep fit by planning lots of sessions in the music hall!!

Josie's future plans for her little Maples is to keep practising for their upcoming sports day, to learn lots more about shapes and numbers, discuss their exciting holidays, supporting more letters and sounds with potions and spells and introduce a 'Using our voice' project by recording the children's voices and using them on the displays around the room!

Rolling into the Larch room where Louise has been looking at how we grow with the children. Every child has brought in a picture of what they looked like as a baby and

what they look like now! They have been focussing on the changes that have happened over time and seeing how big they have become!

Following on from this topic Louise has been talking to the children about how things around us grow too, for example the sunflowers they planted months ago! The children have been discussing what the flowers have needed to help them grow.

Louise welcomes Holly to the room who will be replacing Natalie as Deputy Room Leader once she moves down to our Baby unit, Holly has been settling in well and is looking forward in getting to know all of the children and their families!

Louise's future plans for her growing Larch children are to explore the topic of 'Bee's'. We are all about saving the bees and the children are going to learn about how bees make the yummy honey and what they do to help the planet!

Louise has planned lots of messy and craft activities related to this topic which is going to be very exciting!! Louise is also going to be doing lots of gardening with the children on our

allotment and making sure our new wormery is working and the worms are doing their job!

And finally our Older Oaks!

Vicky has been working extremely hard to ensure all of the children are prepared for their exciting transition to 'big' school! They have had lots of visits from their teachers and Vicky has been practising a more school like routine with them, for example calling the register in the mornings and changing into our P.E kits all by ourselves! Vicky and her mighty oaks have been looking after the allotment and using the potatoes and herbs to make some yummy potato salad!

And because of this scorching hot weather Vicky has been using the sprinkler to keep her children cool as well as playing in sparkly water, cocoa gloop and even playing with 'dinosaur poo' playdough!!



Vicky's future plans for her Oak children are to continue to prepare for sports day by practising our throwing, jumping, running

and obstacles! Start preparing a special surprise for our graduation, help to care for our wormery and turn our home corner into a school so we can practise being at school even more!!

Reminders

Acorn Room:

Soft shoes for outdoor use to help protect the babies' feet on the floor.

Plenty of spare clothing that is weather appropriate.

Please check the parent notice board outside of the Classroom.

Please feel free to add anything to our 'Parent Planning' board located in the room!

Willow Room:

Sun safe swimsuits can be brought in to reduce the amount of spare clothes being used.

Weather appropriate spare clothes.

Please request a 'summer' sheet from Lauren.

Due to limited space on our pegs, if parents could reduce the size of bags it would be greatly appreciated.

Maple Room:

Please check to see if your child needs more suncream.

Ensure all children have a suitable sun hat in nursery.

Please check the board for daily information.

Larch Room:

Please check the notice board for the following; Inside shoes, hats and suncream.

Oak Room:

Please can all children come into nursery with covered shoulders in relation to our 'sun policy'.

Please check our reminders notice within the room.

Toys from home cannot be brought into nursery.

Remember to bring in your book bag so your child can keep up to date with our reading scheme.

Dates for your diary:

Parents evening (SCHOOL LEAVERS ONLY): Tuesday 10th July by appointment only. Please see Louise or Vicky to book an appointment.

Parents Evening: Tuesday 28th August 2018 – 6.15-7.30. No appointment needed.

(Please remember children are NOT permitted to attend parents evening)

Sports Day:

Maple Room – Wednesday
18th July – Orange Group
10.30-11.30.

Purple Group – 2.30-3.30.

Oak Room – Thursday 19th
July – 10.30-11.30.

Larch Room – Friday 20th
July – Orange Group –
10.30-11.30

Purple Group – 2.30-3.30.

From the office:

You all should have received an email introducing our second manager! As you may be aware we are becoming increasingly busy and alongside all of the paperwork Levi also oversees every classroom! So we have recruited Carol who will be joining the Tiggers Team on July 23rd! Carol will work alongside Levi within the office. Carol has had over 30 years experience working within the childcare sector and she is

looking forward to meeting you all!

Tiggers are also changing over our nursery management software. Which has been a lengthy process but is something that is so worth it! Our new system, Connect software comprises of 3 accounts: Connect (Managers Only), IConnect (Nursery Practitioners only) & Parent Zone (Parents Only).

As we are becoming more of an 'Eco School' we are trying to reduce the paper that is used, therefore every child's meals, sleep and nappies will be recorded on the 'IConnect' app and between the hours of 4 and 6pm the staff will publish these, sending you a notification to your phone where you can access all of your child's information. However, we would like to stress that although staff will try to ensure everything is uploaded between these hours, there may be some

days where staff have had to deal with a situation that has delayed the upload. All rooms will have a wipeable list of all information just in case!

#TETBURYROCKS

Some of you may have already seen some of our #TiggersTetburyRocks hidden near the nursery! Please remember to take a picture and upload it to our facebook page!! Don't forget to re hide the rock too!

Fancy getting creative at home? Then don't forget to enter our 'wind chime'



competition! Please make sure your wind chime is brought into nursery by Friday 13th July!

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