



NEWSLETTER



Welcome to our October newsletter

It has been a busy month during September with one main event being our re-arranging of the rooms. The children are now settled in their new rooms and are beginning to make special bonds with their new Key Carers. In the coming month we hope to be busy decorating our new rooms with our art work.

With the autumn season approaching, sooner than we would like, it is getting to that time of year again where leaves begin falling and pinecones and conkers can be found on the ground. These, as with all natural resources, are a fantastic learning tool, where many activities can be inspired from them. Please feel free to bring autumn objects into to nursery for us to investigate.

Nursery Security

For the safety of all within the Nursery we are strictly asking that Parents DO NOT allow unfamiliar Parents or visitors into the building upon entering and leaving the premises. Please ask those who are waiting to use the doorbell on the key pad system or inform a member of staff that they are there. For those parents who are waiting to enter please be patient and understand the importance of this procedure. We would also like to ask all parents to ensure the door is closed behind them when entering or exiting the building. We are having a new door installed early in October and ask for your patience and conscientiousness during this time.

Thank you

Babies

We would like to welcome Connor and Poppy who have joined us in the baby room this month.

We have really enjoyed our new room. The large window is fantastic for seeing the outside world. Ethan especially enjoys looking out of the window watching the world go by.



This month we have been busy exploring our senses with our treasure basket. In our treasure basket we have many natural objects, bright objects and objects of different textures. The mirror and the loofah are our current favourites.

To coincide with exploring our senses, we painted with our bodies although that wasn't the original intention. Our hands and feet and faces in some cases were much more fun than the paper placed on the floor. The paint was cold and slimy and we got covered. Some of us even had to have a bath to clean up.



Messy, messy, messy what more can we say? It's the best way to inspect things and the best way to have fun, which is what we have been doing all month long!

We have enjoyed making use of the good weather we have had. Everyone loves being out in the garden!!

Te'anna and Emma enjoyed our trip to the park. We looked at the different surroundings and Emma was even brave enough to go on the swing!!



Older babies

We would like to welcome Anjeli to our room. This month we have tried to expand and develop the children's independence. We have made lots of lovely cakes, painted beautiful pictures and used the kitchen in our room to make dinner. In preparation for Christmas we have started to design our Christmas cards. We hope you like the designs and placed your orders in by the 25th of September.



We have enjoyed making towers with huge blocks and knocking them down.



Staff would like to welcome any ideas or suggestions for future activities to promote learning and development.

Toddlers

We would like to welcome to Michal and Tanoo to Toddlers.

This month we moved upstairs. We have had a great time in our new room and you have hopefully seen our new art work displayed on the walls.



We had lots of fun in the garden too. Running around using up all our energy is what we do best. We have had races, climbed the climbing frame and even attempted to play football.

Foundation Class

It has been very exciting settling into the new room!!

We have made chocolate rice crispy cakes and fairy cakes. The children helped to weigh out the ingredients and then mixed them together and I am sure they enjoyed eating the just as much!!



Lots of art activities and messy play have kept us very busy this month. Painting, using brushes and sponges and our fingers was very enjoyable!!

Pre-School

We would like to welcome Zane to our Pre-School family.

This month Precious moments visited us in the Nursery. We all drove into an adventure with Barnaby Bee in a BIG yellow car. There were giraffes, lions, penguins and rhinos for us to look at on our journeys.



We have been mixing colours using a variety of different painting techniques, from finger painting, table top painting, small and large paintbrush painting, sponge and stamp painting.

Welcome to Dario, Sophie, Alex, Krystian, Alisha, Oliwia who have joined us in the Foundation class. We would like to wish Alice good luck in her new home and Nursery.

Good luck to Arun, Abbie, Amelie, Billy and Hana at BIG school. We are sure you will have lots of fun and make lots of new friends.

The transition to big school is a big step for some children. If you would like to discuss how we can help with this step please speak to Kim who will be happy to go through the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile with you and to discuss any worries you may have. Please make your child's Key Carer aware of the school your child is going to so we can arrange for communication with prospective schools to aid this transition.

This month we have been focusing on religious celebrations, and in particular Eid. The children made Eid cards to take home for their families and we made Eid sweets using dates.



Robyn spent time making an autumn display board with the children. They all had fun painting leaves and using them to stick on different coloured paper.



We have been busy studying our emotions, matching facial expressions and discussing how we were feeling and what made us happy and what made us sad too.

Although it is only September, we have started to practise our Christmas play production. We are busy learning the songs to go with our play.

Nursery Invoices

We are now sending out monthly invoices to you via email to confirm the monthly nursery fees. These are sent to you before your payment is due for your perusal. If you find that the total is incorrect please forward an email to head office as soon as possible using the email address

headoffice@positivestepsnurseries.co.uk There will be a deadline on the invoice for contacting us with regards to changing any of the payments. We will then be able to correct our paperwork before we actually call for the fees via direct debit from your bank. Payments will be taken as per the invoice unless contact is made to head office to advise us of any change. We cannot be responsible for any charges accrued due to direct debit being taken.

Children's draws

We are asking all Parent's to please check your child's draw and communications folder on a daily basis. This is where you will find all letters, art work that the children have enjoyed making to take home.

Staff Welcomes

Becky has joined our Pre-School team this month. She has lots of experience working with 2-3 year olds and will be adding to us all having a great time!!

Family Play Sessions

Displayed in each room is a monthly calendar which we use to encourage all parents to have an opportunity to join us for a 'play session'. To help for example with, a cooking activity or simply a quiet story time. We understand that with your busy schedules it is difficult to find the time, but we are hoping this method offers you some more flexibility. We would also love to welcome all grandparents!

Swopping days

Can we remind parents that it is not company policy to swop the days their children attend nursery. We are able to offer extra days if we

have the availability. Should you wish to use the 'ad hoc' facility, please complete a request form in the foyer on the parent's notice board.

Jill and Team

Dates to remember:

Half Term: w/c 26th October
Parents evening: Monday 26th October
Halloween party: 30th October
Diwali: 17th October

Arrivals:

Congratulations on the safe arrival of Grace Cooper. Lewis is definitely proud of being a BIG brother now.

Birthdays

We would like to wish all those children who celebrated their birthday in the Month of September a very big 'Happy Birthday'!

Alicia
Callum
Rayen
Eva
Ellie
Michal
Poppy
Alex
Tanya
Robyn