



Redhill Day Nursery

March 2016 Newsletter



A huge thank you to all of our families who came along to our annual Easter hunt which was held recently.

Over 130 people joined us on a spring walk in the local area and completed a quiz. Upon returning to the nursery, they were greeted by our Easter bunny who hopped by to see us and deliver eggs. Families then took part in a selection of Easter themed activities and were invited to join us for a hot cross bun or two!



Room updates.....



This month the babies' have been exploring their senses through play. One of their favourite activities has been water play with citrus fruits. They were really enthusiastic and loved exploring the texture with their hands and tasting the zesty flavours. Hand eye coordination also played a big part, with them pouring and scooping up the water. They have also enjoyed exploring light and movement with the light up wand.

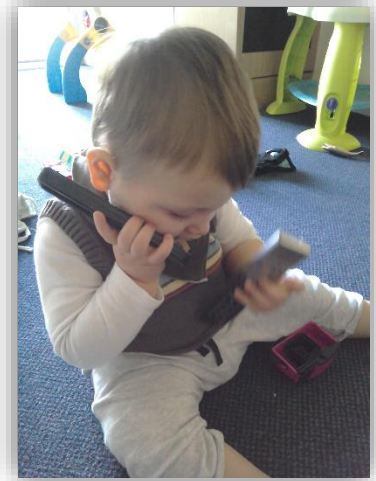
There was also lots of excitement during 'the memory game'. Gemma placed items on a tray and then hid them under a blanket. One at a time an item one was removed and the children waited with anticipation and then shrieked with laughter every time the blanket was taken off.



The ICT basket containing phones, cameras and remote controls always proves to be a popular activity with the children. The girls in the baby room make it into a focused activity that they enjoy joining in with too! The babies love incorporating the phones into their role play and calling 'home' and having a chat.

Next month the babies will be exploring inside and outside, cooking with some exciting new recipes, looking at our new collection of books and rolling balls/cars down the slanted guttering.

We would like to welcome Amelia, Henry and Sofia to the baby room, we are very excited for all of the fun and adventure ahead.



The children in the toddler room have taken part in a variety of Easter craft activities throughout March. They used forks to decorate chicks which created a very interesting effect with the paint! Artistic flair was in full flow with the children collaging hanging Easter egg decorations and also getting creative by using their hand and footprints to create butterflies and flowers for our display board.



These activities can be linked to the areas of physical development, understanding of the world and expressive arts and design.

The children have also made use of the milder weather, and enjoyed exploring their environment outside in the garden. They have been really involved in caring for the chickens, bug hunting with their friends and making sensational muddy meals in the mud kitchen.



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Throughout March, the Preschool children have been focusing on matching colours and shapes with the nuts and bolts and letter matching. Some of the children have shown a personal interest in writing their own names using ceramic tiles and marker pens. The children have been building on their hand eye coordination using dry spaghetti and threading beads, they were concentrating very hard! As always they have really enjoyed dressing up and engaging in roleplay

As you may know Victoria in the preschool room is expecting a baby, and we are all so excited! The children engaged in a treasure hunt to find envelopes containing the letters to make the word BABY. They took turns in finding each envelope, and there was lots of cheers and excitement when they found the last envelope containing Victoria's scan photos!

Circle time afterwards was lovely, the children were very enthusiastic! As Victoria's baby grows the children are also keeping a close eye on the growth chart, this week the baby is the size of an avocado.

Don't forget to like us on Facebook to keep up to date with all our activities and events!
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Redhil-DayNursery>





Animal Handling Encounter
Friday April 22nd
9.30am to 10.15am



We are once again pleased to be offering our Preschool and Toddler children an interactive animal encounter with The Creature Teachers visiting!

Opportunities can involve the children getting to hold or stroke two types of creepy crawly, stroke two types of reptile, stroke two mammals, cheer on the rats as they tackle their obstacle course, see how the kookaburra demonstrates preparing a snake dinner with his rubber snake and experience a barn owl flying above the children's heads and to a selection of brave children in the group.

If your child's regular attendance is not a Friday and you would like to book an extra morning session to enable them to join in this opportunity, please be advised that spaces are limited and payment is required at the time of booking, thank you.

In the near future, the staff will ask you for information in relation to if your child has any allergies or phobias to help them prepare for the session.

Events for 2016

Month	Event	Date
April	Creature teachers visit for our older children from some insects, creepy crawlies and small furry animals	Friday 22 nd April
May	Parents Evenings	Dates and times TBC
June	Queens 90 th Birthday Celebrations	Week Beginning 6 th June
July	Graduation Party for our School leavers	Saturday 23 rd July
September	Guide dogs visit	TBC
October	Nursery Photographer	Saturday 3 rd September
	Pumpkin Week	24 th -28 th October
	Parents Evenings	TBC
November	Children in need	Details will follow
December	Annual Christmas Fayre	Saturday 3 rd December

That's all for now, Victoria and the Redhill Day Nursery Team.