

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have had lots of exciting activities linked to 'The Weather.' The best way to experience the weather is to get outside and explore first hand. Last week we splashed about in muddy puddles and this week we've been crunching on the frozen grass and realising we need thick warm coats and gloves to last any length of time outside. On Monday we set up a Weather HQ and it turns out we have some budding weather reporters in the making. Our investigation table was fun on Monday too, as the children had to blow the cotton wool clouds up the number line. On Wednesday we had out our crazy sunglasses for the children to play with. It was very funny seeing lots of little Elton John's wondering around the preschool. Thursday was a bit sunnier and the children practised their cutting skills to make a paper plate sunshine. Following the children's interests, on Friday we set up a café, which was very popular.



On Tuesday we were thrilled to be joined by Ruth and Lisa from Little All Sports, who led a football session with all the children. They were very impressed we how well the children participated and enjoyed the activities. We're so excited for them to join us again in a couple of weeks and then again for a few sessions after half term. Unfortunately, they couldn't make any other day, but I'll see if they have any flexibility for the summer term. They also run preschool sessions through the week <https://littleallsports.co.uk/sessions/>



Bank Holiday Closure on Monday 8th May 2023

Due to the coronation of King Charles III on Saturday 6 May 2023, Monday 8th May has been declared a Bank Holiday. We will therefore be closed.

Dates to Remember

Spring Term

Wednesday 4th January – Friday 10th February
Half Term - Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February

Monday 20th February - Friday 31st March

January

30th-6th: National Storytelling Week (Parents to read)

February

Friday 3rd: NSPCC Number Day (Wear a number)

March

Wednesday 1st: St David's day

Thursday 2nd: World Book Day (Dress Up)

Monday 13th: British Science Week

Friday 17th: St Patrick's Day

Friday 17th: Red Nose Day (CRAZY HAIR DAY!)

Monday 20th: World Oral Health Day

Tuesday 21st: Pancake Day

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Teacher Strikes

The dates for industrial action are:

Wednesday 1st February 2023/Thursday 2nd March 2023/

Wednesday 15th March 2023/Thursday 16th March 2023

Flying Start staff are not part of the strikes, but we have a number of staff who have children at school and therefore may be unable to work on these days. We will make every effort to stay open and will keep you updated as best we can.

Our Value for the Month is:

Independence

"To become independent, children have to be confident in their own abilities otherwise they will remain over-reliant on the support of other adults or their more confident peers. Their confidence grows through opportunities to try new things in a safe and supportive environment with lots of positive reinforcement for their success and strategies to support any failures they may have along the way. Young children are on the whole very resourceful and very resilient, and when left to their own devices or given opportunities to be independent they can often surprise us." Alistair Bryce-Clegg