

Learning in May



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Eastwood Day Nursery Newsletter—Issue 26

HOUSEKEEPING

General reminders

- **Please remember to collect your children on time to avoid being charged the late collection fee. The same applies for children whose sessions finish at 1.00pm and 4.00pm.**
- If you are going to be away on holiday, please notify us as soon as possible in writing. All absences should be emailed to edn@eastwood.wandsworth.sch.uk
- **Please remember, that in line with our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and Procedures, the use of mobile phones within the Day Nursery is not permitted.**
- Please share a family photograph with us if you have not done so already.



DIARY DATES

June 2024

Monday 3rd June 2024—Day Nursery closed for Inset Day

Monday 3rd June 2024—Friday 7th June 2024—Bake sale week

July 2024

Wednesday 3rd July 2024—Thursday 4th July 2024— Parent Consultation Appointments

Saturday 20th July 2024—End of Year Picnic at Richmond Park



Please all join us in welcoming our two new casual Early Years Assistants, Jodi and Kirsten. Some of you may already be familiar with them as they have both been spending time within Oak and Cedar Class on a student placement or volunteering.

Bake Sale Week

We are fundraising for our end of year gifts with a bake sale from Tuesday 4th June 2024—Friday 7th June 2024.

We will be accepting both cash payments and bank transfers, so please come along prepared to purchase some delicious items!

Cedar Class



Adventures in the sand..

As the weather improves the children are spending more time outside in the garden.

The sand pit has become very popular and has been named the "Cedar class beach". Children have been enjoying getting inside the sandpit, taking off their shoes and adding water to the sand to complete the experience.



We have been making our very own bubbles in the big tray. The children have been experimenting with different shapes and sizes to see what can help form the largest bubbles. The children have also been experimenting with different strengths of bubble solutions when mixing soap and water together.

Exploring with technology...

The children have been investigating all of the different things that technology can do, from taking their own photographs to asking Siri what the inside of their bodies look like. They have also been making their own mobile phones which they took on a 'Bus journey' to pay for their tickets.



Making hot air balloons...

We have been looking closely at alternative ways to travel and hot air balloons became a big talking point.

The children spoke about how the hot air could keep the balloons up but that it could not be too hot or it would hurt the passengers.

The children then made their very own hot air balloons complete with small world people.

Oak Class



Making marks together...

Oak Class showed good pen control when mark making with chalk pens on the chalk board. The children were keen to discuss the marks made which included spiders, flowers, Mummy and Daddy.



Sensory Exploration...

The children have been exploring with shaving foam. This was covered with cling film to allow children to explore without covering their hands. The children squished, squeezed and patted the shaving foam underneath the cling film. The children were then given a bowl of shaving foam to explore and were encouraged to make comparisons between the covered shaving foam, "It wet".



A small group of children were supported to discuss different emotions, such as sad, happy, cross, excited and scared. Children were then encouraged to draw an emotion of their choice on to a sock. An adult then supported the children to name and imitate the emotion by looking into a mirror.

"Look this is my sad face"

I feel



happy



sad



angry



worried



surprised



tired



The children were given washing up liquid and encouraged to use whisks and their hands to create bubbles. Some of the children demonstrated good fine motor skills when spinning the handle on the whisk to create bubbles in the water tray.