



Crossley Mill Nursery

Newsletter March 2019



Thursday 7th March

Children are welcome to come to nursery dressed as their favourite book character.

We are also inviting parents/carers in to share their child's favourite story with us at story time.

Please see Paige, Aneesa or Victoria to book a slot.

Thank you

Health & Safety

To ensure our fire exit remains clear at all times, please can we ask that all large buggies/trikes and backpacks are stored in the new outdoor storage unit.

Thank you

Upcoming events

Mother's Day Tea- Friday 29th March Come along and join your child for 'cream tea fit for a queen' (please inform a member of staff if you wish to attend, Fridays children only)

Easter Bonnet day-Monday 23rd April Bring your child into nursery in their home-made Easter Bonnet ready for our fun parade around the nursery garden. (Mondays children only)

Parents evening-Wednesday 10th April 6.30-8.30pm (please see your child's key person to book your 15-minute slot)



Nursery will be closed on the following bank holiday dates

Friday 19th April

Monday 22nd April

Monday 6th May

Monday 27th May

Training day closure

Tuesday 4th June

Staff changes

As some of you may be aware, this month we say Goodbye to **Astrid Crossley**, our baby room practitioner. This is a sad time for Crossley Mill, but a very exciting opportunity for Astrid, as she moves on to a higher position within another nursery. Astrid has been with us at Crossley Mill for over 14 years and is ready for new adventures and experiences within a new setting. This hasn't been an easy decision for Astrid to make and she is very sad to be leaving us, but also feels ready for this change. We wish her the best of luck with her new adventure and we are certain she will do an amazing job.

In order for the nursery to utilise our current staffing team we will be making some internal changes within some of the nursery rooms. **Katie** our current baby room practitioner will be leaving the baby room to join Olivia, Nazia and Bethany in Gullivers. **Victoria** will be leaving Gulliver's and making a move to the under 2's team, working alongside Aneesa in Bobkins. **Caroline** will be making the transition across to the **Babyroom** and we are currently advertising for a new practitioner.

All staff are very excited about their new internal changes and we feel as a nursery this is for the best interests of the children. Caroline who will be joining the Babyroom is already extremely familiar with the babies having worked closely with them during her time in Bobkins. Victoria has had previous experience of working with under twos at another setting and is looking forward to joining Aneesa. Katie who has a vast amount of experience working with the 3-5's is also really confident and ready for this change. The transition will take place slowly over 2 weeks at the end of February and will give children and staff the opportunity to bond with their new key groups and get to know all the families.

"Children learn as they play. Most importantly, in play children learn how to learn."

The babies have enjoyed exploring paint to make 'I love you cards' and practising pulling up to stand at the ballet mirror.



The Bobkins have been playing matching games, practising using chop sticks for Chinese New Year and practising their colour recognition.



The Lilliput's focus has been transport this month, they've been on various walks to look at different types of transport and even took seat on a bus...how exciting!



The Gulliver's have been enjoying their French lessons, learning animal names and colours in French, practising writing in Chinese and exploring construction with peers.



Do you have a skill or a hobby that you would like to share with the children?

Are you a musician, an artist, a gardener or keen baker?

We are looking for volunteers to come and share their skills with the nursery children and would love to hear from you.

Please contact Aneesa (Bobkins) Paige (Lilliput's) or Victoria (Gulliver staff) for more information.

Thank you

Crossley Mill Holiday Club

Did you know that this year we are trialling our very own Holiday club?

We will be using The Birchcliffe Centre, Hebden Bridge to provide summer holiday care for 5-10-year olds. Spaces will be limited and on a first come first serve basis.

Holiday club dates

The holiday club will be running week days from Monday 22nd July till Friday 30th August.

Opening times- 8am-5pm

Fees- £25 per day

Activities will include- Games, sports, arts, crafts baking and more!

Booking forms and more information will be available soon.

Please spread the word.....

