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Dear Parents,

Let's hope the weather at some point decides what it is likely to do; until this happens, we would greatly appreciate it if we could have wellies brought in and if your child likes to wear wellies could you please provide shoes for inside. There are lots of areas, block area, role-play, and messy play, where shoes need to be worn to keep children safe and comfortable. We do have storage if you would like to leave a pair.

Core Story

This half-term the children have taken a vote and they chose The Very Hungry Caterpillar from a choice of four books. We have been doing lots of learning around mini-beasts and healthy eating and oral health and hygiene.

Staff Deployment

We wanted to introduce you to the staffing teams currently:

Babies and younger toddlers (Lower Nursery)

- Michelle (EYPS level 6)
- Pauline (level 3)
- Lucy (level 2)
- Olivia (level 2)
- Natalie (Safeguarding level 2 and supporting under 2s and an ongoing online level 2)

Pre-school end

- Michelle (EYPS level 6)
- Bryn (level 5)
- Abbie (level 2)
- Maxine (level 3)
- Siobhan (QTS education)



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Support staff

- Linda (cook, basic food hygiene)
- Gemma (SENCO support, clinical supervisor, safeguarding support)
- Hollie remains on maternity leave
- Theresa (cleaner, every evening and weekends)
- All staff have prevent/ Duty and FGM training

Staff Training

The whole team has refreshed their safeguarding knowledge by taking a level 2 safeguarding course.

Michelle and Bryn have re-taken their designated safeguarding lead (DSL) training.

Michelle is currently taking a level 3 SENCO course and recently carried out a staff well-being course and cohort planning.

Siobhan has carried out supporting three-year-olds.

Lucy has completed supporting children under two.

Message from Pre-school

We have had a wonderful time all making our own individual pancakes, learning how to be safe with hot jobs. We explored measurement, number literacy and lots of creative understanding of the world.

The children have enjoyed new pictures on their pegs and finding their own names.

We have invested in a new library shelf so can I ask all of you with a book bag to start using it, please. If you have lost it or are new, then just ask a member of staff to grab one.



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Message from Lower Nursery

We have really enjoyed practising skills such as mixing, pouring, and measuring in thick floury water.

Lots of us are now able to tell us if our nappies need changing.

We have enjoyed lots of new books and some new mirrors.

Chicken Pox

Although we haven't had lots of cases, we have had a few mild cases of chicken pox. Please speak to a member of staff for advice.

New Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

All of the staffing team have been very busy getting to grips with the new EYFS. There is far more of a holistic approach to development: there is less of an emphasis on paperwork and more on key-person knowledge of how to support each child to their next level in all areas.

We are doing this by continuing individual learning opportunity maps or PLODs. Taking many short observations on children and continuously assessing all key points across all areas of learning.

If anyone wants to look at the curriculum, it can be download [here](#).

We thank you for your continued support.

Michelle and Bryn