

March 2019

Dear Parents and Families,

The sensory room is now being well used by all children in the nursery! It is a delight to see all the children enjoying the new sensory resources. There are many benefits to sensory play for all ages. Sensory play encourages discovery and independent development and learning. Engaging a child in sensory play helps strengthen their brain development for learning, which enhances their memory and ability to complete more complex learning tasks. Children identify objects by touch during tactile sensory play, which helps them develop their fine and gross motor skills - such as squeezing, pulling, pushing and throwing. By experimenting with different objects during sensory play, children develop problemsolving skills and decision-making skills. Sensory play helps children learn new ways of talking about the world. It supports their language development and encourages them to communicate effectively with others whilst playing. Therapeutic sensory play, using items such as light up toys and therapy balls, can help calm an anxious or restless child. We hope to keep developing this room with more resources.



April 2019 Funding:

If your child has turned 3 between 1st January 2019- 31st March 2019 and you will be accessing funding from April 2019 please speak to Natalie if you wish to change or increase the sessions your child is doing.

Invoices have been sent out by email. Please make sure you have saved us as a contact so your invoice doesn't go into your spam box. If you have a question regarding your invoice please email brixworth@sunnysocks.co.uk.

Thank you for taking the time to read this Newsletter. I am available any time for you to come and see me and share your thoughts or email me on brixworth@sunnysocks.co.uk.

Kind regards,

Natalie Smith, Nursery Leader

Contacts

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Ofsted Registered person & Owner - Cathy Turney



Important Dates

Tuesday 5th March 2019: Pancake Day

Thursday 7th March 2019: World Book Day

Thursday 27th June 2019: ABC Photography. Nursery Photos for all age groups.

Wednesday 10th April: Cats, Kittens and Babies Parents Evening.

Wednesday 1st May: Preschool Parents Evening

Reminders

Wintry weather - Please remember warm coats, wellies, gloves, hats & spare socks so all children can continue to enjoy the farm & garden.

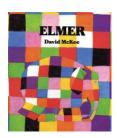
Fees - Please remember fees are due by the end of the 1st week of the invoice month.

Children absence - Please remember to email us if your child is not attending any sessions, we are required to record absences.

NEWS

World Book Day: On Thursday 7th March 2019 we will be participating in World Book Day. We would like to encourage children to bring in their favourite book to share with their friends. Children are welcome to come dressed in fancy dress as their favourite character! Please ensure that your child's name is written in their book if they bring one in.





Pancake Day: The children will be making some pancakes for Tea for Tuesday 5th March 2019.

Opening Times - We are now open from 7.30am offering breakfast club for any early birds. We offer a healthy range of cereals and toast. The children are enjoying making smoothies and juicing their own oranges.

Tapestry – Please speak to Natalie if you have not yet accessed your Tapestry account every child has an account as it is important that parents have access to their child's learning journey. You may have noticed that you can comment on Observations through Tapestry. We would like to encourage parents to add comments and share photos of your children's achievements at home.

Parents Evening – You may have noticed we have provided some dates for parent's evening. Please speak to your child's key worker if you wish to book an appointment. We will be taking bookings for Cats, Kittens and Babies parents evening first then followed by the Preschool parents evening.