

Tuesday 1st February

- Chinese New Year
(Year of the Tiger)

Monday 14th Feb

- Valentines Day

Mon 21st Feb

- Fri 25th Feb

- Spring Half Term Holidays

Thursday 3rd March

- World Book Day

Thursday 17th March

- St Patrick's Day

Friday 18th March

- Red Nose Day

Sunday 27th March

- Mother's Day

Saturday 2nd April

- Autism Awareness

Monday 11th April

- Friday 22nd April

- Easter Holidays

Nursery Closed

(Friday 15th April)

- Good Friday)

Nursery Closed

(Monday 18th April)

- Easter Monday)

Spring Newsletter 2022

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What a busy start to the new year lots of new children from babies all the way up to the pre-school room. We would like to give a warm welcome to Reuben, Jeevan, Kitson, Ziyaana, Tobias, Usaid and Sofia. Thank you all for choosing our nursery. We hope you're all enjoying your time at Fixbees and are settling in well.

It's also been a busy start to the new year with the new variant omicron going around it has affected many so rapidly, therefore please could we ensure you are following the correct procedures, testing your children if they are feeling unwell and not sending them into nursery if they have a high temperature or a persistent cough or any other symptoms. This is to ensure you are keeping everyone safe. Masks are now not mandatory everywhere else but in nursery staff will still be wearing masks when they attend to the door to collect your child and please could we ask for you to kindly still wear your mask when dropping off your child at the door. Thankyou for your on-going support in the current circumstances.



We would like to inform you that our Joint Deputy Manager and current lead for the under two's unit, Sadaf will be leaving us. She had to make a difficult decision and was currently taking a long term leave due to family commitments. To support Sadaf and her family commitments the Director has offered her a temporary post at one of our sister nurseries First Class, this will allow Sadaf the opportunity to reduce her hours and continue to care for her family. She will be deeply missed we wish her all the best for the future and we hope some time in the near future she will be able to resume her role back at Fixbees.



Chinese New Year

We celebrated Chinese New Year in Nursery we had a lovely dinner, dressed up in traditional clothing and made lanterns. Some got messy in the sensory tray, exploring tasting Chinese food in the home corner. Creating Chinese pictures using forks and different colour paints.



What we have been up to at nursery ...

Throughout nursery we have been promoting 'Active learning' ... by giving children space and time to explore materials by themselves, with their peers and with their practitioners. Children then explore materials using their senses and experiment by mixing things together. Children have been engaging as active learners talking about their experiences and giving us opportunities to join in their conversation and extend their language and interest.

Children learn through having sensory motor experiences and through being active learners ... sensory motor experiences such as feeling, smelling, hearing, looking and listening to objects.

All rooms have been exploring with their eyes, hands, feet and mouths they have been experiencing direct tactile contact.

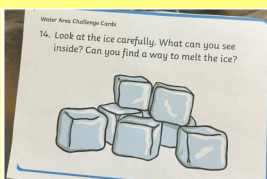
They have explored ice and painted different sized ice using brushes. They have been exploring sounds using natural resources and musical instruments. Also explored scented play-dough with animals and talking about the sounds animals make.

The under two's have been using their smelling sense and mixing, making bubbles using the ingredients, paper straws and popping them! We have been focusing on naming the different products through smell. We have also been exploring jigsaws, colours that we use, washing dolls and toys as part of their interest and helping to tidy up!!

Tweenies have also been busy making lots of noise using musical instruments and also counting their numbers.

Tweenies Home learning is also to make a musical instruments using anything at home and bring into nursery to show and tell everyone what they have made.

Pre-school have been carrying out science experiments and having conversations about what could happen and talking about textures of resources.



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childcare***30 Hours Funding**

Have you registered on the 'childcare choices' website?

DEADLINE TO CLAIM FOR THE NEXT 30 HOURS FUNDING WILL BE 31ST MARCH 2022

Please ensure you get us your voucher code if your child turns 3 prior to the above date.

For more information ...
WWW.CHILDCARE CHOICES.GOV.UK

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Take a look at our
Website ...

WWW.BIRKBEES.CO.UK

For parents information such as fees, EYFS, Learning at home and also download various documents.

We are now asking parents to share your child's 'WoW' moments on Parents zone so we are able to see them and we can then print them out and put them into your child's learning journey book. This would mean your child can have a look for themselves and engage with us about what they have been up to at home. It's also helping us work together at home and at nursery and keeping a record of their learning journey.

REMINDER ... Parent zone allows you to log into a secure webpage to see a select quantity of your child's information including:

- Your child's learning journeys
- You can even contribute to your child's learning journey.
- You can see your weekly & monthly bookings
- Account statement showing bills and payments and also daily reports.

ASK A MEMBER OF STAFF IF YOU HAVEN'T YET RECEIVED AN EMAIL, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION

**ParentZone**

Download the parent zone app with the blue hand ...



If your child is going to school in September you will be able to find out what school your child has been given on Thursday 19th April 2022 via email or by logging onto the Kirklees Parent Portal. Please inform us of the school given to your child.

Unexplained Absences

If your child is not going to be in nursery for the day, **PLEASE** could you let a member of staff know or phone nursery first thing in the morning. If you wish to book holidays at half fees a holiday request form needs to be completed and submitted to the office at least four weeks in advance. If you do not inform anyone about your holiday then unfortunately you will still have to pay full fees. Holiday request forms are available in the entrance and office.

Safety Reminder**FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN AND STAFF**

Please can you make sure the front door is closed before and after you enter the building. Please do not allow anyone to walk into the setting behind you even if you think you know who they are.

Emergency Contact

Please can we remind all our parents/carers if you change your phone number, address or e-mail to let the staff know so we can update our records in the office. It is so important we have current contact details in case we urgently need to contact you.



Update your
contact info!