



February 2015: What are we learning at Blue Bell Woods?

St. David's Day Fun



We have been junk modelling to create and paint our own daffodils. We looked at real daffodils and talked about growing and change in our environment.

EYFS- Understanding the World, 22-36 months: Notices detailed features of objects in their environment.

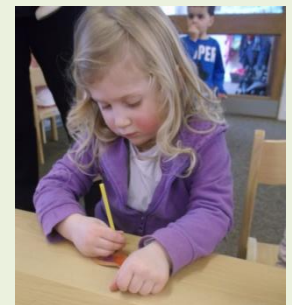
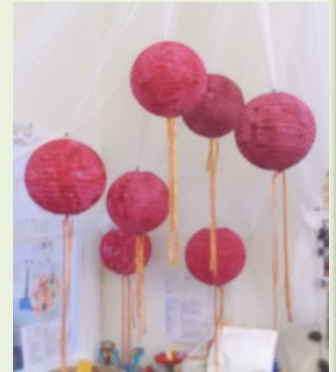
Exploring with Ice!



We made our own "Frozen" world! We froze animals in blocks of ice and watched them appear as the ice melted.

EYFS- Understanding the World, 30-50 months: Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world.

Chinese New Year celebrations



We have been learning about Chinese customs and traditions. The children tasted Chinese food, decorated a giant dragon, painted lanterns, made lucky fish, and made their own representations of Chinese numbers. Please take a look at our work in the nursery!

EYFS- Expressive Arts and Design, 40-60 months: selects appropriate resources and adapts work where necessary.



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All About Me!

We would like to make a Family Book for each child, so we would be very grateful if you could supply us with photographs of special people in your child's life, their favourite toy/ comforter, any special cultural/ family events they have attended, any pets, a photo of their house etc.

You are welcome to email the photographs to bluebellwoodsdaynursery@gmail.com, or to bring in paper copies. Please write a brief description about each photo so we can personalise your child's Family Book.

Happy Birthday!

The following children are celebrating birthdays in February:



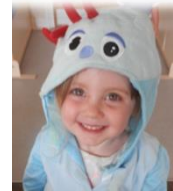
Elsie (2)



Jake (3)



Tighue (4)



Orla (4)



Safeguarding- Who should I take my concerns to?

Designated Persons for Safeguarding



Nerys Evans

Cris has attended the "Newly Appointed - Designated Person Child Protection" Training and joins Nerys as a Designated Person for Child Protection at Blue Bell Woods. If you have any concerns of a safeguarding nature, please talk to Nerys or Cris.



Cristiana Nechita

You are able to access all our Safeguarding Policies and you can find useful links to relevant websites at <http://www.bluebellwoodsdaynursery.com/safeguarding>

REQUEST:

Please save your empty kitchen roll tubes and bring them to nursery. Thank you!

REMINDERS:

- Please label all of your child's belongings.
- Breakfast is served in the Main Room between 7.45am and 8.30am. Please ensure children arriving after 8.30am have had breakfast at home. Thank you.



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Forthcoming Events this Spring 2015

Chatter Matters week/ World Book Day

During w/b 2nd March, families are invited in to share a favourite book with a small group of children to promote communication and language skills, coinciding with World Book Day on 5th March.

Please speak to a member of staff if you would like to take part.

World Book Day- Fancy Dress

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th March

Children are invited to dress up as a book character!

Special Ladies' Tea

Friday 13th March

Mums, nans, aunts... any special ladies... are invited to join us for tea and cakes at 4.30pm on the Friday before Mothers' Day.

"Ready, Steady, Listen" with Usborne Books

w/b 23rd March

We will be holding a sponsored book sharing event to raise funds for our charity, Friends of Messef.

Details to follow.

Happy Birthday Blue Bell Woods!

Tuesday 31st March

We will be marking our First Birthday with party fun and games for the children!

Family Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday 2nd April

Families are welcome to join us at 4pm to help the Easter Bunny look for eggs!



Term Dates and Bank Holidays

February Half Term

(no funded sessions)

w/b 16th February

Easter Holiday

(no funded sessions)

w/b 30th March & w/b 6th April

Good Friday

Friday 3rd April (nursery closed)

Easter Monday

Monday 6th April (nursery closed)

Early May Bank Holiday

Monday 4th May (nursery closed)

Usborne Children's Books

Next month we will be distributing Usborne order forms. The Usborne book stand will be here on Friday 13th March in the afternoon for you to purchase books. You can also browse online at

<http://www.usborne.com/>

Usborne is the biggest and most successful independent children's book publisher in the UK. In February 2014, Usborne was named Independent Publisher of the Year and Independent Children's Publisher of the Year in the Independent Publishers Guild awards.

