

Blue Bell Woods Day Nursery Newsletter



May 2016: What are we learning at Blue Bell Woods?

Forest Garden

We have continued to be interested in growth, and have particularly enjoyed exploring our new Forest Garden; please take a look outside at the developing areas.



Understanding the world,
22-36 months ~ Notices detailed features of objects in their environment.

30-50 months~ Developing an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time. Can talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects. Shows care and concern for living things and the environment.

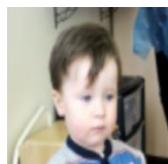
40-60 months ~ Looks closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change.

Early Learning Goal~ They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur, and talk about changes.



"I touched it!
It's wriggling."

Happy Birthday! The following children are celebrating birthdays in May



Aria (1)

Lyla (1)

Georgia (2)

Harry (2)

Luca (2)

Sophie (2)

Charlie (3)

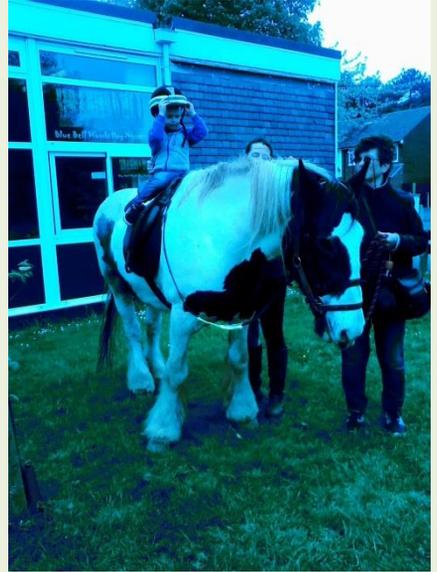
Fedora (3)



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A Special Visitor

We would like to say thank you to Taylor and his mummy who brought in their horse, Henry, to visit us! We were able to have a turn on Henry's back, we fed him carrots and apples, gave him a drink and stroked him. It was very exciting!



Staff News

We are delighted to welcome Elsie back to our staff team following her recent treatment. She will be with us on a part time basis over the summer. Joanne Isley also joins the team; she is a qualified teacher with many years of experience and will be working with the Over 2s.



We also welcome Sonia Gregory as our new Nursery Cook; Sonia has over 19 years experience working as the cook in a Day Nursery so we value her ideas and expertise.

Safeguarding at Blue Bell Woods

At Blue Bell Woods, we believe the safety and well-being of each child is paramount. If you have any child protection concerns, please talk to Nerys or Steph who are our Designated Safeguarding Leads. You can find more information, including all our Safeguarding policies, on our website at <http://www.bluebellwoodsdaynursery.com/safeguarding>. We also have a Safeguarding Board near the back door in the Main Room, and all of our policies and procedures are displayed in the Entrance Hall.



Please provide your child with a named sun hat to keep at nursery if possible. We will provide children with sun cream (Nivea Factor 50); we will assume this is suitable unless you have advised us to the contrary. Thank you.

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May 2016: Family Partnership

Family Books

We 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 printed copies. Please write a brief description about each photo so we can personalise your child's Family Book.

If you have already sent in photographs, please disregard this message.

Father's Day Breakfast

This year, to celebrate Father's Day, we are holding a breakfast on Monday 20th June. Dads, granddads, uncles, brothers... please come along between 8.15am and 9.15am to share a special breakfast with the children. Please let us know if you can attend. Thank you. NB: This event will take the place of the Father's Day Tea previously mentioned.



Father's Day Breakfast!

Monday 20th June 2016

8.15am ~ 9.15am

Please join us for morning refreshments



WANTED PLEASE!

Old DVDs/ CDs, milk bottle tops, egg boxes, shells and large stones.

We would be extremely grateful for any donations of items for forthcoming art activities. Thank you.



The children enjoy a range of songs and rhymes on a daily basis. Please take a look on our website for the words to some of our favourites:-

<http://www.bluebellwoodsdaynursery.com/tuneful-tots>

Half Term: w/b 30th May 2016- There are no funded sessions.

Bank Holiday Monday, 30th May 2016- The nursery is closed.

Parent Evenings

Over 2s Parents' Evening: Tuesday 5th July 2016, 6pm-7.30pm

Baby Unit Parents' Evening: Wednesday 6th July 2016, 6pm-7.30pm

We will be holding informal Parents' Evenings in July. Families will have the opportunity to talk to their child's Key Person about learning and development, look at their child's Learning Journey and enjoy refreshments with other families. **We ask that children do not attend these events please.**