



August- September 2014: What have we been doing at Blue Bell Woods?

Imaginative Play!



We have had lots of fun building our own dens inside and out using blankets and saris!

EYFS- Expressive Arts and Design, 22-36 months: Beginning to make-believe by pretending.

Mark making



We have been using different tools and resources to make our own drawings.

EYFS- Physical Development, 8-20 months: Holds pen or crayon using a whole hand (palmar) grasp and makes random marks with different strokes.

Role Play

We have been dressing up in a range of new clothes from around the world! Look at my Gandi Cap!



EYFS- Understanding the World, 22-36 months: In pretend play, imitates everyday actions and events from own family and cultural background.

Teddy Bear Week



We have been very creative making teddy bear pictures, collages, hats and paintings! We had fun when our Teddy Bears came for tea, eating teddy bear shaped sandwiches!

EYFS- Personal, Social & Emotional Development, 30-50 months: Can select and use activities and resources with help.

All About Me!

This term, as well as following the children's own interests and suggestions, we will be thinking about ourselves and what is important to us.

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.

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Outside Adventures all year round...

Please can you provide your child with a pair of wellies and waterproof clothing in a pump bag to keep on their peg at nursery. We venture out to the garden, park and woods in all weathers!



Family Partnership

Children's Learning Journeys and our "Wow" Tree are now situated in the Entrance Hall so you can easily access them at any time and contribute to your child's nursery experience.

We have also added a Suggestion Box, so please give us your children's and your own feedback!

Nursery Menu

We have now introduced a three weekly rolling lunch menu which is displayed in the Entrance Hall. You can also view the menu on our website:

<http://www.bluebellwoodsdaynursery.com/sample-menus>

Stay and Play!

We were delighted to welcome so many Parents and Carers to our Teddy Bear Stay and Play session on 26th August. Activities included making Teddy Bear Toast, a bear hunt in the garden, arts and crafts and free play!



Happy Birthday!

The following children are celebrating birthdays in September...



Sawyer (1)



Cleo (3)



Catherine (3)



Sophie (3)



Tia (3)



August- September 2014: Staff News

Blue Bell Woods is growing!

We are delighted to welcome many new children this term, and our staff team has grown too!



Claire Baughan has joined us to work in the Main Room with Sophie and the children aged 2 years and over. She will be working on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Claire's Qualifications: Level 3 Diploma in Child Care and Education, Paediatric First Aid, Level 2 in Equality and Diversity, Level 2 Certificate in Team Leading Knowledge



Cristiana Nechita has also joined the team to work on Mondays and Fridays.

Cris's Qualifications: Level 3 Diploma in Child Care and Education equivalent, Paediatric First Aid, Certificate in Childcare Practice (home-based)

Nerys and Steph will be working with the children aged Under 2 in our Baby Unit.

Monica will continue to provide lunch cover in the nursery, offering Spanish lessons to the older children, and Fiona will remain volunteering with us.

We also welcome Sue Iliff to the nursery, who is our Housekeeper/ Cook, providing healthy snacks and lunches for the children.



Please note:

Some children may have a change of Key Person from September onwards. We will keep you fully informed, and as always, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the nursery.

Safeguarding Reminders:

- ✓ Please sign your child in and out everyday in the Main Room.
- ✓ Please DO NOT use your mobile phone in the nursery.
- ✓ Please inform us if your child will not be attending nursery (e.g. due to illness/ holiday).
- ✓ Please talk to Nerys or Sophie (our Designated Persons for Safeguarding) if you have any concerns of a safeguarding nature.
- ✓ Please do not let any other Parents/ Carers/ Visitors in or out of the premises.

Staying Safe Together