

## Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs)



**Nerys  
Evans  
Lead DSL**



**Taylor-Lee  
Sketchley  
Deputy DSL**



**Xanthe  
Smith  
DSL**

**Safeguarding is  
EVERYONE'S  
responsibility.**  
If you have any  
concerns regarding  
the safety or welfare  
of any child, please  
contact Nerys, Taylor  
or Xanthe, our  
**Designated  
Safeguarding Leads**, in  
confidence.

Happy Birthday to the children celebrating in February!



**Finley**



**William**



**Oliver**



**Eloise  
Charlie  
Simran  
Donae'o**



**Henrdrix**



**Daisy**



**Isla-Lily**



**Aivah**

## WORLD BOOK DAY



## Fancy Dress Week

W/b 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024

World Book Day falls on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March this year. Children are invited to dress up as a book character throughout the week, if they so wish.

We will be sharing our favourite books, stories and rhymes together, and each child will be given a free World Book Day token.



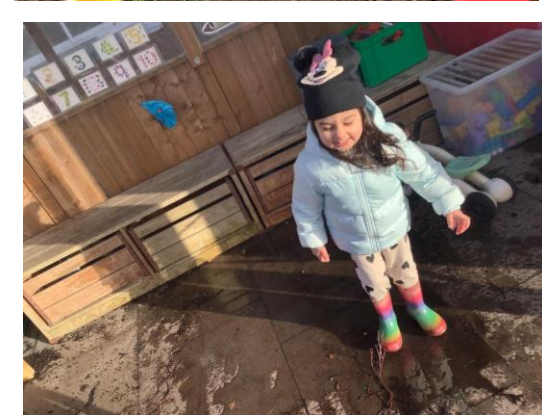
## Our Baby unit

We have had a brilliant start to the year in our Baby Unit. The babies have enjoyed a range of activities to enhance their motor skills and speech. We have had some new friends join us in the Baby

Room this month who have settled into nursery life amazingly; the staff have been working to support this transition and build strong attachments.







## Our Daffodils

This month our Daffodils have been interested in our mud kitchen and digging area. This has been great for their social skills, imaginative play and developing gross motor skills.

The children have also taken a strong interest in stories, so the staff will continue to use this interest to create story sacks and trays to extend the learning and provide new experiences for the children to explore.





## Our Preschool

Our Preschool group thoroughly enjoy their focus time co-ordinated by our Preschool leader, Inderjit. The children have been busy practising their writing skills, working on their scissor control, making potions and exploring numbers through a range of board games and puzzles.



# Childcare Choices

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HM Government

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## HOW MANY HOURS OF CHILDCARE CAN YOU GET PER WEEK?

Age 3-4 years				Age 2 years				Age 9-23 months	
ALL PARENTS				FAMILIES RECEIVING SOME ADDITIONAL FORMS OF GOVERNMENT SUPPORT				WORKING FAMILIES	
15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	30 HOURS
Now	APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025	Now	APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025	SEP 2024	SEP 2025
WORKING FAMILIES				WORKING FAMILIES					
30 HOURS	30 HOURS	30 HOURS	30 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	30 HOURS			
Now	APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025	APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025			

\*30 weeks a year. Eligibility criteria apply. Providers may ask for additional charges.



The entitlement starts from the term after the child has attained the relevant age.  
A valid eligibility code from HMRC will be required

## Working Parent Entitlement Eligibility Code Process For Parents And Providers

### 1) PARENTS APPLY FOR AN ELIGIBILITY CODE THE TERM BEFORE THEY WANT A FUNDED PLACE

- Go to [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)
- If eligible they will receive a code starting with 50

### 2) PARENT GIVES THE ELIGIBILITY CODE TO THEIR CHILDCARE PROVIDER(S)

- The code must be passed to the provider as soon as possible after it is issued.

### 3) PROVIDER TO COLLECT THE CODE DETAILS THE TERM BEFORE THEY OFFER A FUNDED PLACE

- Consent and code details to be completed on the Parental Declaration Form

### 4) PROVIDER TO VALIDATE CODE VIA THE PROVIDER PORTAL

- Check the code start and end date match the eligible dates for the term to be funded

### 6) PARENTS TO RECONFIRM THEIR CODE AT THE VALIDITY END DATE, USUALLY EVERY 3 MONTHS

- Via their childcare account at: [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)

### 5) PROVIDER TO OFFER A FUNDED PLACE TO THE CHILD

- Only when they know the Eligibility code is eligible for the term to be funded

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