



30<sup>th</sup> August 17 - 13<sup>th</sup> October 17

# Butterflies



## STAFF IN OUR ROOM

Please have a look at [www.parklanekids.co.uk](http://www.parklanekids.co.uk) to find out more about the staff.

Debbie Hubbard- (senior) level 3

Lisa Ellis- (senior) level 3

Adele Pedley- level 3

Milly Gordon- Apprentice

## WHAT THE CHILDREN HAVE PARTICULARLY ENJOYED DURING THE LAST 6 WEEKS

The babies have enjoyed experiencing our summer themed messy plays tough spot. They have been given the opportunity to explore lots of different textures including sand, water and jelly play.

They have also enjoyed going to the wriggly readers session at Melton library on a Wednesday afternoon. They have been able to take part and join in singing and dancing to their favourite songs, listening to a variety of stories and exploring the children's corner with the staff.

## OUTCOME FROM OUR PLANNING MEETING (each baby has their own next steps, below are some ideas from our planning meeting that support the room. Individual needs will still be planned for).

This Autumn term will offer us many opportunities to explore the woodlands nursery surroundings. We will be taking the babies out on walks to see what we can see, hear, feel. We hope to be able to do some puddle jumping and conker and leaf picking. Carrying on with has messy play tough spots we will be exploring leaves and other Autumn materials from our surroundings.

We will continue to use rhymes and songs throughout the daily routine to enhance their speech language and communication skills. If there is a favourite nursery rhyme your child likes please let us know and we can include this in with our choice of rhymes.

The continued independent development of standing/ walking unaided is a main point of focus for Butterflies, we encourage free movement by offering lots of space both in and outside to practice physical development. Throughout this week the children will have a go at doing some foot painting

Supporting the babies to learn about their communities and cultures we will be celebrating Diwali, Butterflies will be trying traditional Indian food and learning about mehndi patterns and having a go at doing their own. Staff will be making some play dough with the children adding some Indian spices.

We will be taking a key worker/ key child photo selfie for our EY log to help new parents put names to our faces. Please do ask us though if you have any questions or concerns.

#### KEY DATES

Jeans for Genes day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

Grandparents day 2<sup>nd</sup> October- messy play morning 10am- All grandparents are welcome to come and join us.

#### PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Please encourage your child to wear Jeans on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, £1 donation. To support this worthy cause for children with heart conditions.

We would like to invite, grandads, grandmas to come along to our room on 2<sup>nd</sup> October to join their grandchildren in play and for some tasty snacks to celebrate Grandparents day.. This will be in aid of world heart day as we have our own heart baby at woodlands. There will be a variety of cakes made by the children for you to buy.

We have introduced a 'going home box' (blue) next to the door. Please could you start checking this daily, your child's art work etc will be put into here.

#### Polite Notices

Please can you ensure you are following our no shoe policy, taking shoes off before you enter butterflies or putting on the shoe covers provided.

Can all parents please ensure their child is sent into nursery with the appropriate weather clothes as we do plan and making the most of the Autumn weather e.g. Wellies, coats, hats, gloves.

#### ROUTINES

It would be lovely if parents could help their child find their picture on the door as they come into the room. If they are mobile enough please continue encouraging them to hang their coat and belongings on a peg.

#### WHAT WE THINK WE CAN DO BETTER

As a staff team, we reflected on the last 6 weeks and we think we can do better at ensuring we are meeting every child's own individual needs.

As a staff team we are going to ensure we are using the communication book daily, recording any messages from parents to pass onto the other staff working within the butterflies room.

For more information about the curriculum your children are learning (EYFS) or how they learn please visit our website [www.parklanekids.co.uk](http://www.parklanekids.co.uk) and look on the parent's page. We have also uploaded lots of interesting articles and factsheets on the early years which include some great activities to play with your children.

You will also find previous newsletters and menu's

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