



Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> April- 14<sup>th</sup> July

## 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 (Deputy) level 3

Alex Smith – level 2

Adele Pedley – level 3

Lauren Orridge – apprentice

Natalie Beaumont- apprentice

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

Since our last newsletter, the babies have enjoyed playing in our Easter nest, being able to use their senses to explore the different objects.

Butterflies staff have been busy den building for the children using a variety of coloured and textured materials. We have made a nice and cosy section and have added a selection of light toys and objects in there that babies have been able to explore.

The babies have also really enjoyed body painting, using different parts of their bodies to explore and make marks on the paper and materials provided.

### 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).

As previously highlighted in February's newsletter we will continue to support the babies in developing their speech and language by the continued use of songs and rhymes in their daily routines and by sharing their favourite stories. We are also planning to introduce a Butterflies song box encouraging children to remember and pick out their favourite songs.

Continued progression of standing unaided and walking is a main target within butterflies, we will continue to do this by providing them with planned space to encourage free movement and making toys easily accessible for children to reach and fetch.

Keep a look out for the hungry caterpillar tuff spot, along with the story there will be lots of fun things for the children to play with and explore.

With the warmer weather on its way (hopefully), the babies will get lots of opportunities to take part in water play and spend time out in the garden and going on walks around the golf course exploring the different surroundings.

We are going to be having some teddy bears picnic's incorporating them into our snack times making them fun and exciting.

Shortly you will be receiving a letter if your child is moving up into Fox cubs. They will be having lots of regular visits to make it a smooth transition. If you have any queries please speak to a member of staff from Butterflies.

## KEY DATES

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May- world wildlife day, wear something spotty or stripy.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day messy play morning, 9-11am.

Barnardo's toddle waddle, 21<sup>st</sup> June 4 pm, including a picnic tea.

## PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

We are still busy developing our families display board and would like to encourage all parents to send in pictures of their baby's family and pets and other special people/ items.

Butterflies staff would like to support world wild life day, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, please could you encourage your child to dress in something stripy or spotty. During this week the children will be involved in a variety of linked activities.

The staff in Butterflies would like to invite all Dad's and Grandad's to come along to a messy play morning on 16<sup>th</sup> June 9-11am. There will be a variety of messy activities for everybody to get involved in.

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, we are taking part in the Barnardo's toddle waddle, we will be toddling around the golf course, parents and children are welcome to come and take part, 50p donation. Afterwards we will enjoy a picnic tea.

## Polite Notices

Now the weather is getting warmer, please could you provide your child with a labelled sun hat. The nursery provides sun cream, however if you would prefer your child to use a specific one, please could you make your child's key person aware of this, and label with your child's name.

## 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 continuing encouraging them to hang their coat and belongings on a peg.

We have introduced baby signing on a Friday afternoon at 2pm, Debbie will be teaching them lots of new and exciting things.

## 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. We will be handing out a form for parents/ carers to fill out letting us know of any changes to your child's routine i.e. bottles, sleeps, nappy size. Once completed please could you hand into a member of the Butterflies staff.

If you have any other suggestions, please email us at [www.woodlands@parklanekids.co.uk](mailto:www.woodlands@parklanekids.co.uk)

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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