



24th April- 14th July

OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

STAFF IN OUR ROOM

Please have a look at www.parklanekids.co.uk to find out more about the staff.

Sue Wyles Level 2

Georgina Finlay Level 2

Bryony Rushton Level 2

Emma Aldrich Level 3

WHAT THE CHILDREN HAVE PARTICULARLY ENJOYED DURING THE LAST 6 WEEKS

The children had a very busy and fun Easter half term. We went out on numerous trips including Rutland water for some sand castle building competitions and Bradgate park for pond dipping and deer watching. The feedback from the children has been very positive and we are looking forward to arranging more trips for the May half term. Any parents have any suggestions?

During term time, the children have enjoyed planting mummy's flowers and taking part in a variety of craft activities.

We all participated in world book day and enjoyed exploring different activities.

OUTCOME FROM OUR PLANNING MEETING

We are looking forward to getting outside more as the evenings will be getting lighter and will hopefully be warming up.

We are aiming to further enhance the independence of the children by introducing daily helpers. We are aiming to let four children help each day with specific tasks such as cooking and washing up. This will help them to take responsibility, and have a sense of pride in the tasks that they are achieving.

We are all really excited about our brand-new garden in Owls. We are planning to add lots of equipment for all the children to enjoy. We are excited to get our allotment back up, growing a variety of different fruits and vegetables. There will also be lots of opportunities for the children to participate in water and messy play in the garden area during the nice weather. Furthermore, our reading area on the decking allows for more quiet time.

With the warmer weather, hopefully here to stay, we are aiming to take some small groups regularly afterschool to a variety of different parks and make the most of the sunshine, various sporting activities and exploration. We will inform parents by email.

We will be continuing with karate on a Wednesday afternoon down at jubilee sports club 3.45-4.45pm, where Sy will be teaching them some basic Karate moves. The children particularly love practising their moves on Bob the plastic mannequin.

The week leading up to Father's Day all children are going to be involved in making cards and different craft things for their, dads, grandads and carers.

To help promote world milk day that takes place on the 1st June, we're inviting all the children to design a poster that promotes the benefits of milk and then we will enter them in the nationwide cool milk competition. 1st prize being a Crayola art set and second prize being a £20 amazon gift card. If this is a success we will hold monthly competitions with appropriate prizes. Competition end date is 24th May 2017.

KEY DATES

15th – 19th May. Walk to school week.

1st June- International children's day

18th June- Father's Day

Wednesday 21st June, Toddle waddle 4pm, including a picnic tea.

News

Good bye and good luck to Nicola Gardner who will be leaving us on 19th May, on a new venture.

We have appointed a new out of school club co-ordinator, Emma Aldrich, Emma will be moving over from pre-school to join the team. We look forward to exploring Emma's new and exciting ideas.

On Wednesday 21st June, the out of school's team and children will be participating in the Barnardo's toddle waddle. Parents and children are welcome to come and take part, 50p donation. Afterwards we will be enjoying 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.

Could we please remind parents that we have a no mobile phone policy within the setting. If a member of staff sees a parent within the setting on their phone, they will be asked to put them away.

There is always fresh cups and jugs of water available in the room throughout the evening.

Term dates.

24th April- Term Starts

1st May- Bank Holiday- Setting closed

29th May- Bank Holiday- Setting closed

30th May- 2nd June- May holiday, play scheme

14th July- End of Term

WHAT WE THINK WE CAN DO BETTER

We have recently purchased a wide range of maths puzzles and games including family favourites like the hungry hippo.

We aim to encourage the children participate and engage in these games, show how they should be looked after, how the children should share and take turns and improve their skills.

We noticed that the craft area is a popular favourite and we will ensure this is always kept well replenished.

UPDATE ON THE SCHOOL RUNS

We have introduced some new white shelving in the entrance hall to Owls to allow better flow and storage. We would like to kindly ask all out of school children to place their bags and lunch boxes on the shelves and just bring their coats and water bottles into the room.

We are continuing with our measuring and weighing game to ensure that the right car seats are being used for the children. If any parents wish for a child not to participate please let a member of staff know.

As the weather is (hopefully) getting warmer, we are looking to offer a walking bus service to Asfordby Hill School. If there are any parents who are concerned about the walking bus service and don't wish for their children to participate, then please let Katie in the office know and an alternative arrangement will be made.

For more information about the curriculum your children are learning (EYFS) or how they learn please visit our website 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

To keep updated about the fun things we do at nursery join our Facebook page woodlandskids