



Home Learning Ideas

Here are some ideas you could try with your child this month, linked to our learning theme...

Go for a walk and look for some signs of Spring.

In Spring, lots of animals have babies. What noises do they make? Can you find out the names of these baby animals?

Paint a picture of some Spring flowers.

In Spring, seeds begin to grow. Read a story like Jack and the Beanstalk and talk about plants growing.

Celebrate Easter with some sweet treats. Can you count how many Easter eggs you have?

Don't forget to send us a photo of your home learning via ParentZone.



We are currently working towards a Food for Life award at nursery and will be reviewing our menus, food related curriculum and opportunities for growing and eating our own produce. If you or a family member has a career in producing or growing food, please contact Pamela as we would love to learn from you. If you have any comments or suggestions about our current menus or food related curriculum, please email us at: info@caldecotedaynursery.co.uk



Warwickshire Country Council have recently produced some free online courses for parents. These cover all kinds of subjects; from questions about pregnancy to support for dealing with teenagers. The courses are usually charged at £40 approx.

but are completely free when using the codes supplied on the webpage. If you are interested, please visit:



<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/parentguide>

GDPR

What is GDPR? GDPR stands for General Data Protection Regulation and replaces the previous Data Protection Directives that were in place. It was approved by the EU Parliament in 2016 and comes into effect on 25th May 2018

Why is it changing? The existing Data Protection Act was brought in in 1998 but was actually written in 1995 so is over 20 years old. Technology has moved on massively since then, there is more and more personal data being processed through multiple sources and we need more stringent regulations to protect our personal information. GDPR focusses on consumers' rights and puts their needs first.

How will it affect me at nursery?

GDPR states that personal data should be 'Processed Fairly & Lawfully' and 'Collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes'. This is how we have always operated at nursery but to comply with new recommendations we have updated our permission forms, our terms and conditions and revised our data protection policy, to make this completely explicit. We are ensuring that all data processing is appropriate. We only record and process the data that we need to manage and maintain the nursery. Between now and 25th May when the new regulation comes into force, we would like you to update the records we hold. This will involve reading and signing new permission forms, a privacy notice and signing a copy of the terms and conditions. We will provide all new paperwork for you to sign in the coming weeks but an example of this is attached to this newsletter.

What do I do next?

Please take some time to read through the new paperwork and feel free to ask any questions if you are unsure or require further information.

Dates for your diary...

Good Friday – 30th March
We are open as usual.

Bank Holiday Monday – 2nd April
We are closed today.

Easter Break:
Monday 2nd April – Friday 13th April
No funded sessions this week. If you wish for your child to be in nursery, standard charges will apply.

Funded children return on Monday 16th April.

Singalong / Story time:
Wednesday 4th April 11.30am & 3.30pm

Mini Meadows Farm:
Wednesday 25th April
(Pre-School & Explorers only)

The Pop-Up Farm
Wednesday 25th April
(Babies & Toddlers only)

Bank Holiday Monday – 7th May
We are closed today.

NSPCC Pantosaurus Week:
Monday 14th – Friday 18th May

Please remember that fees are paid in advance and should be received by us no later than the 10th of each month.

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Chatter Matters Week: 19th – 23rd March 2018

Staff and children have loved being involved in the 'Warwickshire Time to Talk' Chatter Matters Week. The focus of the week was to celebrate the value of communication for our youngest children. This was achieved through singing a range of nursery rhymes with the use of some wooden spoon puppets made by the staff. If you would like more information about language and communication please see our Time to Talk Champions, Poonam and Terri or visit the Warwickshire Time to Talk website:

www.timetotalkwarwickshire.wordpress.com

Spring has Sprung! As part of our 'Spring has Sprung' learning theme, we have two exciting events this month. Our Pre-School and Explorer children are visiting Mini Meadows Farm in Northamptonshire to meet and greet the farm animals; especially learning about baby animals that have recently been born. Babies and Toddlers are not missing out on the action either! They have 'The Pop-Up Farm' coming to visit and bringing some of their animals. Letters for both experiences have been sent out. Please return reply slips and payment by Monday 16th April.



Nursery Expansion

We are delighted with the progress of the nursery extension. The team from Ashlawn Builders are working hard to create a beautiful space for us to move into. When complete, all children from all age groups will be based on the ground floor. This will allow Pre-School children to have free-flow access into the garden and provide more space for learning activities. Each base room will be equipped with a space for messy play, physical play as well as a quiet area for relaxing or sleeping. We will have two dedicated dining spaces and hope in the future to be able to cook our own freshly prepared meals on site. Once we are all moved in, the upstairs part of the building will be transformed into a dedicated space for Club Caldecote – our before, after and school holiday club. We also hope to use our additional space to offer short courses and learning opportunities for parents. As work continues, we will update you further. If you have any questions regarding the expansion, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Yours faithfully

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