



Home Learning Ideas

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

Use playdough or modelling clay to make a model of a dinosaur.


On a warm, cloudy day, lie on a blanket outside and look at the clouds. Can you see dinosaur shapes?

Gather together a collection of items that begin with the letter 'd'. How many can you find?

Go to the library and look at some dinosaur books.

Watch the NSPCC 'Pantosaurus' song online.

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

You are welcome to breastfeed here

Please let a member of staff know if there is anything we can do to help make you more comfortable

For more information, visit: unicef.org.uk/babyfriendly

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Did you know that you are welcome to breastfeed your baby at nursery? Please ask a member of staff who will arrange a comfortable place for you to sit while you feed.

We can also store breast milk for your baby either in our fridge or freezer, so there is no need to change to formula, just because your baby is starting nursery.

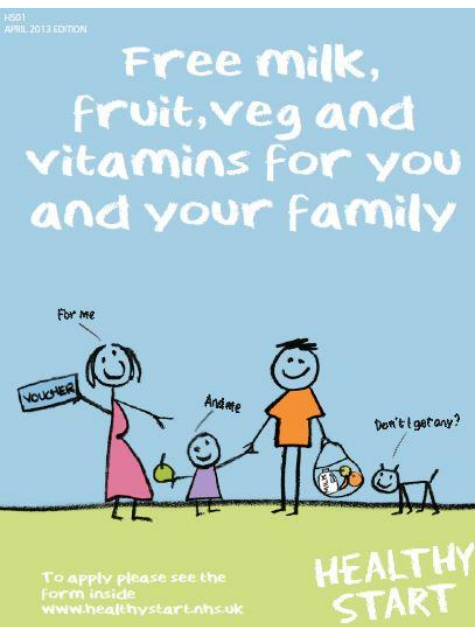
Please ask staff for more details.

What is the NHS Healthy Start Scheme?

If you are pregnant or have a child under four years old you could get Healthy Start vouchers to help buy some basic foods. This important means-tested scheme provides vouchers to spend with local retailers. Pregnant women and children over one and under four years old can get one £3.10 voucher per week. Children under one year old can get two £3.10 vouchers (£6.20) per week.

The vouchers can be spent on:

- plain cow's milk - whole, semi-skimmed or skimmed. It can be pasteurised, sterilised, long life or UHT
- plain fresh or frozen fruit and veg (fruit and vegetables with no added ingredients), whole or chopped, packaged or loose
- infant formula milk that says it can be used from birth and is based on cow's milk.



Free milk, fruit, veg and vitamins for you and your family

For me (woman), And me (child), Don't I get any? (dog)

VOUCHER

HEALTHY START

To apply please see the form inside www.healthystart.nhs.uk

Healthy Start vitamins - Women and children getting Healthy Start food vouchers also get vitamin coupons to swap for free Healthy Start vitamins. Healthy Start vitamins are specifically designed for pregnant and breastfeeding women and growing children.

Apply online at www.healthystart.nhs.uk or ask your health visitor or midwife for more details.

Dates for your diary...

Singalong / Story time:
Wednesday 2nd May
11.30am & 3.30pm

Holiday Monday – 7th May
We are closed today.

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

Holiday Monday – 28th May
We are closed today.

May Half Term:
Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June
No funded sessions this week. If you wish for your child to be in nursery, standard charges will apply. **Funded children return on Monday 4th June**

Further details about the events below will follow in due course.

Parents Evening
Wednesday 27th June
6.30pm – 8.30pm

Pre-School Graduation
Friday 6th July
4.30pm – 6.00pm

Sports Day
Wednesday 18th July
10.00am & 2.00pm



We will be having an 'NSPCC's PANTS' week from Monday 14th – Friday 18th May as part of our Safeguarding learning within nursery.

The children will get to know 'Pantosaurus' who can help them to keep safe.

During the week, we will be having discussions mainly with our Pre-School and Explorer children and will aim to teach the following important safety skills without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. We will be teaching our children how to stay safe by learning the PANTS rules, which the NSPCC have developed to be like a Green Cross Code for staying safe from sexual abuse. PANTS stands for:

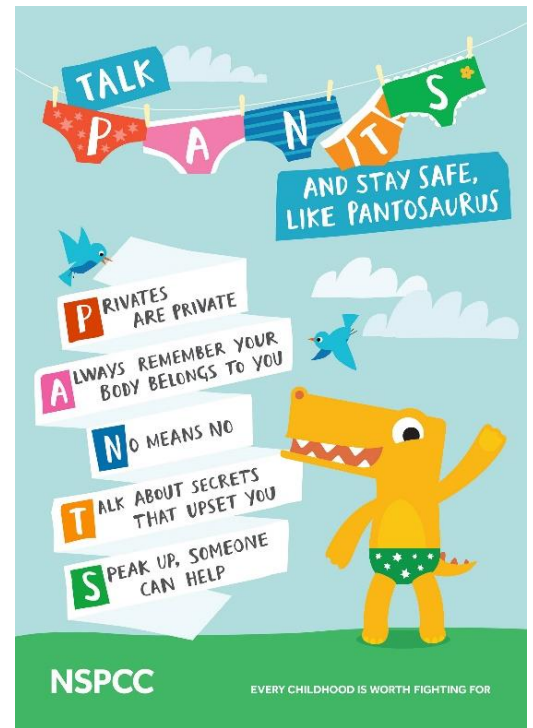
- Privates are private.
- Always remember your body belongs to you.
- No means no.
- Talk about secrets that upset you.
- Speak up, someone can help.

The sessions will introduce a range of ideas, all delivered in a way that's fully age-appropriate, empowering children without using any frightening words. These include:

- good and bad touching
- your child's right to say no to things that make them feel upset or uncomfortable
- naming parts of the body

If you would like to know more about the NSPCC's campaign and learn how you can help keep your children safe in partnership with nursery, more information can be found on our website or at nspcc.org.uk/pants

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.



Leaving to start school

If you are leaving to start school in September, **please remember you need to give one month's notice.** Children who only access funded hours, this ends on Friday 20th July. Please inform us if you wish your child to attend during the holidays. This will then be charged at our standard rate.



Club Caldecote – Holiday Club

Have you booked your space yet? So far this year our Club Caldecote children have been enjoying a wide range of activities. These include, cooking, craft and visits to Adventure Zone, Cineworld, Rugby Library and lunch at McDonalds! If you have an older child who would like to be part of Club Caldecote this summer or in the future, please see a member of staff for details.

From September 2018, Club Caldecote will be open to children from Reception to Year Six!



Reminder

Please ensure that your child has a **named** sunhat and **named** sun cream in nursery at all times as we will try and make the most of the sunshine...when it appears!

Many of you will be planning your summer holidays. Don't forget to pick up a holiday form and give us one month's notice to receive a 50% discount from your fees for that period.



Contact Details - Have your details changed? Do you have a new mobile number? It is important that our records are up to date, so we have the right details to contact you in case of an emergency. You can update these on ParentZone or jot down the information and we can update it for you.

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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We all had a fantastic day learning about farm and Spring animals. We were very proud of the children who demonstrated a Calm and Caring attitude towards all the animals the met and represented the nursery excellently.



Yours faithfully

Mariana Dixon (Proprietor)

