



Hi and welcome all to our new academic year, we hope you have all had a lovely summer break and we are looking forward to meeting all our nursery children and our new starters very soon! As it is September we will be having new children start the nursery, we advise parents on settling in sessions to leave their child as soon as they've been signed in as we don't want them getting too upset, you are more than welcome to call the nursery on 0121706889 to see how your child is getting on. Thank you.

**Our Topic at nursery for the Autumn Term is.....**

**'Out and about in the local community'.**

**The book for this month is 'The Jolly postman and other peoples letter'**

Find out what we are up to on a daily basis by



following us on **TWITTER**; search for swansyardley. Or go to our nursery website and read our room blogs or learn about future events on [www.littleswans.org.uk](http://www.littleswans.org.uk)

**Heroes News** This month the Heroes will be doing large group activities encouraging all children to get to know each other, they will be playing ring games such as; duck duck goose and farmers in the den. They will also be doing dancing pairing up with other children where they will be making their own choices, the heroes love a good dance and enjoy playing party games. We will be creating work for our displays which are currently blank, which means a lot of messy activities for the heroes! The heroes will also be colouring in their individual cupcakes for the birthday display. We will also be going through class rules so the children are familiar with the behaviour that is expected upstairs. We will be using the hi 5 to encourage positive behaviour. This months book is ' the jolly postman' so the heroes will be showing off their writing/drawing skills, the children will be making their very own drawings which they will then go and post at the post box. We will be going through the sending and receiving process with the children.

### **Staff Training and Meetings**

Nursery will close early this month for Staff training: *Next steps/ childrens development.*

on: **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

Please make sure all children are collected by 4:45pm.

*Please note:* There will be a charge for late collection for any child on the premises after this time.

## **Smarties & Sweeties News**

In September the smarties staff will be supporting the new children settle into their room and encourage them to play alongside all children including the new starters. The children will have bonding time with their key person as they will be doing small group activities with them throughout the day. As our story for the month is the Jolly Postman, the smarties will be using sand and soil to create pictures which they will post. Moving on to the sweeties, the children will have the opportunity to explore the toys in the room during the settling in period, the staff will be introducing the new routine and help the children settle in making them feel welcomed. We are hoping to encourage the sweeties to recognise colours, we will be doing activities such as painting, mixing paints and matching colours. We will then be doing sensory play with the children, where they will be exploring flavors and textures. The children will be tasting foods such as; Jelly, and flavored ice cream encouraging them to talk about the different textures. The sweeties will also be creating their 'all about me' display where they will have the chance to show their drawing skills.

## **Jelly Babies and Jelly Tots**

In September the babies will be welcoming all their friends who have just started the baby room. The babies will be creating handprint flowers, using lots of glitter and crayons, they will be painting and making marks on paper plates too! As the babies love doing sensory play, we will be exploring different textures such as; wet and dry foods and we will be having fun with different materials doing sticking. To add to this we will be making bottle shakers using plastic bottles and empty sprinkle boxes for the younger babies so they can join in too. We will then be listening to different sounds we can make, such as in the garden with the instruments, exploring in the sandpit outside, building blocks and body sounds. If parents have any plastic bottles/tubs can you kindly give them to the baby room staff, thank you. This month the jelly tots will be talking about their new room, telling staff what they like about the jelly tots room. The new children will be doing creative activities to create some lovely pictures for the displays. The children will be learning to share by joining in with group games, they will be learning to take turns such as playing ball games, making jig-saws and outdoor activities.

## **Rolos News**

This month the new rolos will be settling into their new room, they will be exploring the indoors and outdoors by visiting the forest school and library. The rolos will be learning to recognise their names by signing themselves in using the self registration which is in the singing in area. They will then be learning their basic 2D shapes by singing the shape song, naming the shapes, using flashcards and by looking at everyday objects. We will be doing art work with the children, including soil sticking, hand prints, material sticking, glittering and finger painting.

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Dates for your diary: From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September until Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Forest School at Yardley school for Rolos, Sweeties and Heroes will be on a Monday and Friday. Children will go on a rota basis please speak with your child's key person to see when it is their turn. Children will go from 9.30am - 11am

## Notice for Parents

- Parents who are bringing in cake/s for their child's birthday must bring in cakes that are pre-brought (packaged with a list of ingredients) due to children having allergies.
- Can parents please ensure their child has a water nursery water bottle which is clearly named.
- Parents need to bring their child a bag to nursery which should include spare clothes in case of any accidents (please name all items).
- Children need to wear suitable footwear to nursery, don't forget your child shouldn't be wearing laces to nursery. Wellies can be brought in for forest school visits but do make sure your child has shoes that he/she can change in to when back.

## Upcoming Events and Dates

### September Dates for your Diary

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** Children who are moving rooms will be moving this week.

### Save some dates!

From **September 9<sup>th</sup>** we will be selling tickets for the Halloween party which will be on **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 12-3** at Sheldon Heath social club, if you wish to bring family and friends you're more than welcome. Tickets cost £2.00 a child and £4.00 an adult

**November 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>** The photographer will be at nursery on these 2 days, if you wish to dress your child up please make sure you bring your child already dressed in the clothes you want their picture in, due to staff ratios we are unable to dress the children.

Christmas Party will be on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 12-4**, this will also be at Sheldon Heath social club, tickets will be on sale in November (date will be in November newsletter)

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2-2:45** will be the heroes nativity, tickets will be sold from Wc; 20.11.19 (£1 per ticket, 2 tickets max per child) Venue Tbc.

Thank you :)

### Staff training courses this month;

Staff who need their Paediatric first aid refreshing will be doing this on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September.

Congratulations to Zoe who has completed her level 3 qualification with us! 😊