Welcome to our July Newsletter. We have a very busy month ahead and will be saying Goodbye to lots of children as they leave us to go to Big School! We will be having leaver’s parties throughout the nursery where the children can all have lots of fun together before it is time to say Goodbye! As it is a time of Transition, the children who are moving to new areas will be meeting their new teachers and visiting their new rooms. On top of all of this, the fun and learning will still continue!

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**Rolos News**

This month is a big month for Rolos as some of us are leaving to go to big school in September. To prepare for this we will be learning a lot about big school such as looking at virtual tours of our school, looking at pictures and talking about what we saw when we visited our schools. We will also be looking at school uniforms in our school role play area and trying them on! We will be making our own school buildings using junk modelling materials such as boxes, tissue paper and paint. Before we go to big school we will be having a sports day and Leavers assembly which we will be doing lots of practice for. We have lots of songs and dances to learn ready to perform! We will also be learning about and celebrating Eid. We will be watching videos of Eid on YouTube, reading Eid stories from the books we have found at the library and talking about how we celebrate Eid at home. The children will also be learning banghra dancing, trying different foods and making Eid biscuits in the shapes of moons and stars. We will incorporate maths and design by measuring out ingredients and designing the biscuits before we make them.

**Our Topic at nursery for the Summer Term is……**

**OUT AND ABOUT IN THE ENVIRONMENT**

**Smarties News**

This month the Smarties will be learning about people who help us as the children have shown an interest in this topic. We will be using pictures of people in their job roles and asking the children who they are and what they do. During the activity we will also be asking the children if they know where their parents work and what they do. In the role play area, we will be acting out roles such as dentist, doctor and firefighter. As some of the children will be going on holiday, we have some fun activities to talk about. The children will be packing a suitcase and deciding what to take with them. We will be having “On the beach” tuff trays with sand, water, boats and little people so the children can pretend to be on holiday. We will also be talking to the children about the sun and why it is important to apply sun cream , wear a sun hat and drink plenty of water during the hot weather. It is world chocolate day on the 21st of July and we will be celebrating by doing lots of cooking activities using chocolate. We will also make this a senory activity where the children can talk about and explore taste, smell and texture. The children will continue with shape and number recognition. We will be using number templates and phones. The children will be using the number templates to match the numbers on the phones. For shape recognition, the children will use shape pictures of cars, rockets and buses. The children will match plastic shapes onto the correct shapes on the pictures. We will also be celebrating Eid. The children will take part in Eid activities and learn why we celebrate Eid. They will also make Eid cards. If you have any old Eid outfits that you no longer need could you consider donating them so the children can experience dressing up for Eid. As the weather will be nice, we will be taking the children on a sensory journey in the garden. They will be filling trays with materials such as dry sand, twigs, mud and leaves and will talk about what they have found. The children will also be learning about healthy and unhealthy foods and tasting foods.

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**Room Messages**

**Can Sweeties parents please ensure your child has a labelled su n hat and labelled spare clothes in case we get messy during water play. Thank you!**

**Jelly Tots News**

Jelly Tots have a fun filled month ahead full of lots of learning opportunities. This month our book is “The Very Hungry Caterpillar” The children will be exploring and learning the story within the seven areas of the EYFS. We will be talking about healthy eating and what foods are good to eat. To encourage the children to eat healthily we will be role playing a picnic with the children making up their own plates and pretending to eat their healthy food. The children are going to be making fruit salads, helping to chop up the fruit and then eating it for their snack. The children will be learning with the Startwell characters Fay Five a Day and 2 Snacks Max who will support them to make healthy choices. To develop the children’s knowledge and understanding of nature, we will be looking at the life cycle of the Caterpillar and how it turns into a butterfly. The children will have the opportunity to develop their creative skills by making butterfly pictures using paints, wax crayons, glitter, wool and tissue paper. We will also be baking butterfly shortbread, with the children having the opportunity to name and weigh the ingredients. During this month we will be wishing our Muslim friends “Happy Eid” making Eid cards and having an Eid party. The Jelly Tots will continue to learn their shapes and identify them in the environment. We will be learning our colours and numbers and will be looking at prepositions such as “in front” and “behind.” The children will be getting messy with lots of different materials this month including cornflour, shaving foam, pasta, playdough, water and sand.

**Jelly Babies News**

This month in Jelly Babies we will be doing lots of exciting activities! We will be making Eid cards using a range of different materials such as tissue paper, sequins, stickers and glitter. The babies will decorate their cards in their own unique way. We will be dancing to Eid songs to celebrate the festival and will be having an Eid party with our friends. We will be asking for a donation of food for our party, a member of staff will show you a party list. Also this month, we will be looking after some strawberry plants and watching them grow. We will water them every day and when the strawberries have grown we can pick, wash and eat them. The babies will also be decorating a picture of a strawberry using paints, glitter and tissue paper. As some of the babies will be moving on to different areas in September, we will be talking about moving on. The babies will be meeting their new teachers and visiting their new rooms. We will be having a leavers party in our room on the !4th July where we will be dancing and playing lots of party games.

**Sweeties News**

The Sweeties will be doing some cooking activities this month. They will be making biscuits and cupcakes and decorating them. The children will be practising their listening skills and following instructions when making the biscuits and cupcakes and will use their imaginations and creative skills when decorating them. We will be talking about healthy choices and making our own fruit salads. We will also be using fruit to make faces with before eating it! Sweeties will be talking about Smiley Sheen, the Startwell character and why it is important to brush our teeth. They will also be brushing the dolls’ teeth during roleplay. We will be doing lots of water play this month and will focus on making marks with the water and paint brushes outside. The children will need to have sun hats and spare clothes in case they get wet during water play. Sweeties will be using lots of other materials to make marks this month, including paint, crayons and chalk. They will be having a go at creating their own track for the cars to drive on. Sweeties will also be making up their own stories, using books for ideas and then bringing their ideas together to create the stories. Our book for this month is “The Very Hungry Caterpillar” The children will be making their own caterpillars using different materials such as tissue paper, lollipop sticks and paint.

**Safeguarding**

Can I remind parents we operate a no mobile phone policy at nursery where possible avoid answering your phone when dropping off and collecting your child?

**PARENT NOTICE**

**Staff annual leave for this month: July**

**Karen:4th5th6th13th14th15th18th-22nd**

**Robin: 1st 7th 15th**

**Yousra:5th 8th**

**Aisha: 8th 11th**

**Alisha: 11th 12th**

**Shaida: 21st 22nd 25th**

**Sharon:25th-29th**

**Our Staff meeting this month is based around New starters and Transitions. Please remember that all children need to be collected by 4:45pm on this day, Thursday 28th July.**

**June Dates for your Diary**

**Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June Bank Holidays-Nursery closed on these days.**

**Saturday 11th Recruitment Open Day**

**Monday 13th Healthy Eating Week**

**Wednesday 15th Preschool children to sing at Carrs Lane**

**Saturday 18th Staff First Aid Training**

**Sunday 19th Fathers Day**

**Tuesday 21st World Music Day**

**Thursday 30th Staff Meeting**

**Heroes News**

This month in Heroes we are looking forward to our Leaver’s assembly on 15th July. We will continue with our practices every day so we are ready to entertain you all! We have lots of celebrations this month, including Eid which we will be celebrating with a party, making cards and baking biscuits. We also have our leavers party to look forward to, with lots of dancing and party games. The children who are leaving to go to school will be having their graduation photos taken and will be presented with a certificate at our Leaver’s assembly. The children will be doing lots of different activities this month including making pasta necklaces, shaving foam play, using the diggers in the sand and working together in groups to complete tasks. We will continue getting ready to go to school by practising writing our names, learning our colours, shapes and numbers and practising our scissor skills. We will continue learning all about keeping healthy supported by our Startwell characters. We will be keeping active during outdoor play and will be dancing along to the action songs on our Startwell CD.

**Important Messages**

**Can we please ask parents to not allow their children to bring toys into nursery. It can be very distressing for your child if their toy is lost or damaged. The nursery cannot be held responsible for any toys that are lost or damaged if brought into nursery.**

**If any parents have any old Eid clothes that they not longer need, we would appreciate any donations so that the children can dress up to celebrate Eid.**

**Each area will be having a Leaver’s party. Please speak to your child’s keyworker for dates.**

**Dates for July**

**7th July: World Chocolate day**

**9th July: Nursery Open Day**

**14th July: Eid Party**

**15th July: Heroes Leaver’s Assembly**

**19th July: Rolos Leaver’s Assembly**

**28th July: Staff Meeting**

Have a Great Month All

 From The Staff Team at

 Little Swans