

Photos are now back in nursery for parents to collect. Please ask the room supervisor. They look lovely and we think you will be pleased!

Angela has started in Jelly Tots this month. she is a trainee and German so I'm sure our children will be learning a few German words along with English.

This term children from pre-school will be visiting Yardley Primary in preparation of going off to 'BIG' school in September. They will be having lots of visits joining school children for assembly, outdoor play as well as in the classroom and having a look around the school, different age groups and rooms.

Our children in the younger age groups now visit Stay and Play each week that is held in the Swan Courtyard, and runs of a morning. A member of staff will let you know when it is your child's turn to participate.

Our Topic book at nursery for October is .....

**'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'**  
And our topic is **'All About Me'**

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** During June we are going to make Eid placemats, Eid cards as well as dancing to Bhangra music. We are getting very good at this and really enjoyed showing our dance moves to Mrs Boulton and Rose this week. We will also be talking about Father's Day and who is special to us.

Along with this we will be practicing our Leavers Assembly. The time has flown this year!

We will be baking cakes and cookies for Eid and Father's Day to take home ... unless we eat them before!

We will be doing some planting in the garden and in-between all of this talking about schools as we will be visiting Yardley with our friends.

## **Jelly Babies News**

This month we will be making Father's Day Cards and pictures to take home. We will also be involved in messy mud play as well as exploring the texture of mud when we add water. We will be plating this month and caring for our seedlings watching them grow into healthy plants.

We will be having lots of music sessions with bubbles and our new bottle shakers that Miss Tranter made for us! We will continue to do art work for displays creating a weather board. Making pictures of the British weather (oh dear) as well as activities to go with this such as water play for when it rains.

If you have any empty bottles please hand them in so that we can create resources from them.

## **Smarties & Sweeties News**

This month Sweeties will be focusing on writing the first letter of their name using stencil and alphabet mats. We will explore colours by getting involved in t shirt printing with markers and making them look like fireworks. We will be having lots of fun doing dancing activities to develop our gross motor skills. We will be making Father's Day Cards for the special person in our lives but don't tell them because it's a secret ...

We will be using counting bears to help us with counting while using the fish in water to catch in our nets. How many can we catch?

Smarties will be reading The Very Hungry Caterpillar book and talking about the different fruits the caterpillar eats. We will explore numbers and quantity.

We will be looking at different textures through messy play - describing food textures.

Staff will be encouraging children's self-help skills helping with dressing and toileting. We will also be planting our own flowers and looking after them. Phew we have a busy month ahead of us!

**Rolos News** This month in Rolos we will be learning about different animal habitats as well as what animals eat. We will be trying to re-create our own animal habitats and homes using different materials and construction to do this. We will use wool to create spiders' webs by wrapping it around table legs. We will use grass and leaves to create a home where insects live. The Rolos will be focusing on planting and looking at what plants need to grow and thrive. We will link this into how we keep our own healthy and growing at home. Hopefully we will get to see yummy fruit and vegetables grow and then we can eat them when they are ready!

We have made Eid cards and they have made their own Mendi patterns on paper using an outline of our hands.

**Jelly Tots News** This month in Jelly Tots we are going to be learning about Eid. We will listen to Eid music making Eid cards watch Eid videos as well as talking about Eid. We are also going to continue to learn how to count up to 10, look at colours and shapes through doing lots of fun learning activities.

We will be talking about our families looking at pictures of our families as well as who lives at home.

We are learning Makaton signs based on books.

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Dates for your diary: from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June until Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**Story Sessions at the library:** Sweeties, Rolos and Heroes Children attend throughout the week  
**Forest School:** Alternate Fridays for Rolos and Heroes  
**Play and Stay** Monday Jelly Tots; Wednesday Smarties and Friday Jelly Babies

- *Notice for all parents*

### \*Drop in SENCO Session

Rose our SENCO will be holding a drop-in hour on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June from 10am until 11am. This session is for anyone who has concerns however small about their child. Rose is here to help with advice.

### Notice for Parents.

- During the hours of 7.30-9.30am Mon to Fri please use the main intercom buzzer at the gate as signposted
- Can you please make sure children's bags are stored on the trollies provided and not in the hallway as this is hazardous and could cause an accident?
- Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for this weather with a sun hat that can be left in nursery
- No open toe sandals or jelly shoes and no laces
- Sun cream needs to be applied to your child prior to them coming into nursery. There are lots on the market that are applied once a day and these are the ones you need to use
- Jelly babies' children need to have sun cream bought into nursery for staff to apply. Please make sure they are clearly labelled with your child's name
- No toys to be brought in from home to the setting as we will not be responsible for damage or loss

### Sponsor Readathon

We have teamed up with an Usborne representative and we will be starting a new challenge at nursery to fundraise for some new books and to encourage our children to read more at nursery and home. Over the next two weeks will be asking all our children in Sweeties, Rolos and Heroes to take part in a sponsor readathon at home and nursery, raising sponsors for the children to read 15 minutes at nursery and 15 minutes at home each day. I hope we can really encourage all the children to take part ☺ Staff in areas will be giving out the sponsor ship packs from today, every little donation will help.

### Upcoming Events and Dates

## June 2019 Dates for your Diary

- WEDNESDAY JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> 9.30AM UNTIL 11AM JELLY TOTS VISIT TO STAY AND PLAY
- Friday June 7<sup>th</sup> 9.30am until 11am Jelly babies visit to Stay and Play'
- Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 'Open Day' all welcome!
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June Heroes and Rolos children start to take a book home from the library
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June small group of pre school children to attend Yardley school reception assembly
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 9am until 11am Smarties children visit Stay and Play
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June a small group of children from pre school to visit Yardley school reception class
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 9am until 11am Jelly Tots to visit Stay and Play'
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am until 11am Jelly babies to visit Stay and Play'
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am until 11am Smarties to visit Stay and Play
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June a small group of children from pre school to visit Yardley School afternoon assembly
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June a small group of pre school children to attend afternoon assembly Yardley School reception class
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am until 11am Jelly Tots to visit Stay and Play
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 9.30am until 11am Jelly babies to visit Stay and Play
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am until 11am Smarties to visit Stay and Play
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June a small group of children from pre school to visit Yardley School to watch their assembly in the afternoon
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June small group of pre school off to Yardley School to look round the classrooms
- Wednesday 9.30am until 11am Jelly Tots to visit Stay and Play
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am until 11.30am JB off to Stay and Play

### Staff Training:

Staff training this month will be held on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June**  
Late collection will incur a late collection charge.  
Children to be picked up no later than 4.45pm