

## Our Ethos - It takes a whole community to raise a child



### What's happening at Nursery School !

Monday 13th March to Friday 17th March 2017

Last week most of the children were involved in the interactive performance of "Roll up, roll up!" by the Playhouse theatre that took place in Nursery. The children responded marvellously to the performance which was set in a circus and was all about being confident to have a go at new things and to realise that we are all special in some way. The performance helped develop the children's language as well as their physical skills and balance. Thank you to all the parents who contributed towards the cost of this learning opportunity. It's not too late to pay £5.00 to help towards payment for this experience.

In the outside area the children have continued to be interested in the woodwork bench and the opportunity to try out some tools and equipment in a safe environment.

The children have shown how mature they can be when using the tools.

They have also been practising and challenging their gross motor skills by climbing and balancing on the equipment in the playground.

Inside the children have been interested in using the Interactive Board in the group room to draw and write. Using the board not only develops their ICT skills but is helping them to practise their mark making. Children need to have the opportunity to make big arm movements that exercise their shoulders. These bigger movements help children to develop the flow and curve needed for fluent writing.

The children have been exploring the Beebots. These simple robots require programming to make them move. The children have to input the directions so that they will move forwards and backwards. The children get really excited when the robots move along and they need to use their problem solving skills to make them move along the corridor without banging in to the wall.

#### REMINDER!

Please don't forget to come along for your child's parent consultation appointment.

It's not too late to sign up if you haven't already done so this week. Check the lists in the corridor for appointment times.

#### Parent Governor Elections

Following our parent governor elections I am pleased to announce that Abi Cartmale is elected as a parent governor. The results of the votes are on the parents notice board in the corridor.

**School telephone number:- 0121 675 3408**

## REMINDER!

Please **DO NOT** use your mobile phones when you are in the building. If you need to text or make a call please go outside the front door.

This is to safeguard all our children.



## 30 Hours childcare for working parents.

If your child is returning to us in September please let us know if you think you will be entitled to 30 hours childcare. Please ask at reception if you need more information or check this website

<https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk> You then need to click on the link to the parent guidance:-

Find out more about Tax-Free Childcare and 30 hours free childcare for parents

## Please don't forget to bring snacks and fruit or vegetables for the café

Please can children in the **Squirrels and Owls** bring in a few pieces of fruit, some vegetables or some breadsticks or crackers for the café this week?

Next week it will be the turn of the **Bumblebees.**

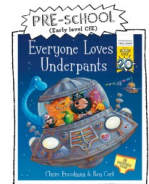
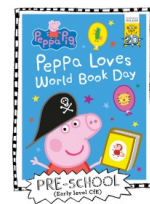


## World Book Day Voucher

Don't forget to use your child's world book day voucher and exchange it at either WH Smiths or Waterstones for one of the specially published books. Or, if you'd prefer, you can use your book token to get £1 off any full price book instead! If you'd rather get an audio book, that's fine too! It's your choice, just as long as the book or audio book costs at least £2.99.

The World Book Day book tokens are valid from

**Monday 27 February–Sunday 26 March 2017.**



## Stripey's Breakfast and After school clubs

Breakfast club:- 7.30am until 8.30am - £4.00 per day includes breakfast.  
(Half hour sessions available 8.00am to 8.30am - £2.00 per day)



After school club 2.30pm to 4.00pm - £6.00 (or 3.00pm to 4.00pm - £4.00 )  
per day includes a snack.

Please ask at reception if you wish to book a place for your child.

**School Term dates are on our website:-  
[www.featherstonenurseryschool.org.uk](http://www.featherstonenurseryschool.org.uk)**