

Rainbow News

July 2021



Messages from the office...

COVID 19

Although I am sure you have had enough of this word, I do just want to take a minute to remind all parents that all of the COVID measures that were previously in place at the nursery are still in place. If you are unsure of what these are they can be found on our website <https://www.rainbownurseryschool.co.uk/covid-19>

Please remember we are not trying to make your life more difficult even though it may feel like it. Not allowing your child to come into Rainbow if they have a temperature, or sending them home because they have a cough are Government rules we have to follow. Their goal is simply to enable us to protect everyone at Rainbow, all the children and staff alike, and we have to follow them to the letter. Thank you for your ongoing support with this matter.

Holiday Club and Before and After School Club Places

As of today our Summer Holiday Club for primary school age children is running almost as normal for the summer and we are now taking bookings. Please contact Katie in the office for details.

School return in September: If you have completed a before and after school club enrolment form, and have not already received confirmation of your child's place, you will do so next week.

Please inform us which school your child will be attending from September 2021 and the last day that they will be attending Rainbow before starting school.

Congratulations...



A huge congratulations to Mrs Amy Dawson on the birth of her baby boy Louie.

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- **Katie Gordon (Office Manager)** - Invoice Queries, Extras, Funding, New Starters etc - katie@rainbownursery.info
 - **Lisa Watson (Nursery Manager)** - Extras, changes of booking patterns, new starters, tapestry queries, children's development queries - lisa@rainbownursery.info
 - **Kelly Hutton (Nursery Manager)** - Tapestry queries, children's development queries, questions regarding preschool or other areas of the nursery
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 - **Stephanie Elcock (Area Manager)** - SENCO, Junior Club bookings, Junior Club changes of booking patterns, New starters in Junior Club, Junior Club queries
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‘You said we did....’

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete last months question, this is really helpful. 8 people responded to the question *‘Have you viewed your child’s Spring Term Report and are you aware of your child’s Development Goal for the Summer Term?’*

All parents who responded were aware of their child’s current development goal. Which is fantastic.

We had some feedback regarding updates on children’s days at nursery and a couple of requests for Tapestry to be updated daily. Unfortunately this is just not logistically possible to do as everything the practitioners write on Tapestry goes to a manager who then checks and approves the information. However, you should be receiving updates at the door of a general overview of your child from that day, and feel free to ask questions when practitioners are handing over. You can also ring up during the day to see how your child has been and what they have been doing. It is sometimes easier for the practitioners to feedback on the phone that at the door when other parents are waiting.

We are going to be changing the use of Tapestry over the coming weeks/months due to changes to the Early Years Foundation Stage. We have to minimise the amount of paperwork that we do, which in turn will enable more time to engage the children in learning and play... keep an eye out on Tapestry for up and coming video clips of what and how things will be changing.

As always any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Miss Watson lisa@rainbownursery.info

This months question is

Are you aware that you need to report to us any injuries/marks/scratches that your child has done at home? Are you aware how to report these?

Please follow the link below to answer the question.

<https://forms.gle/FZw4GS7punpB8BEC9>

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Baby Nursery News...



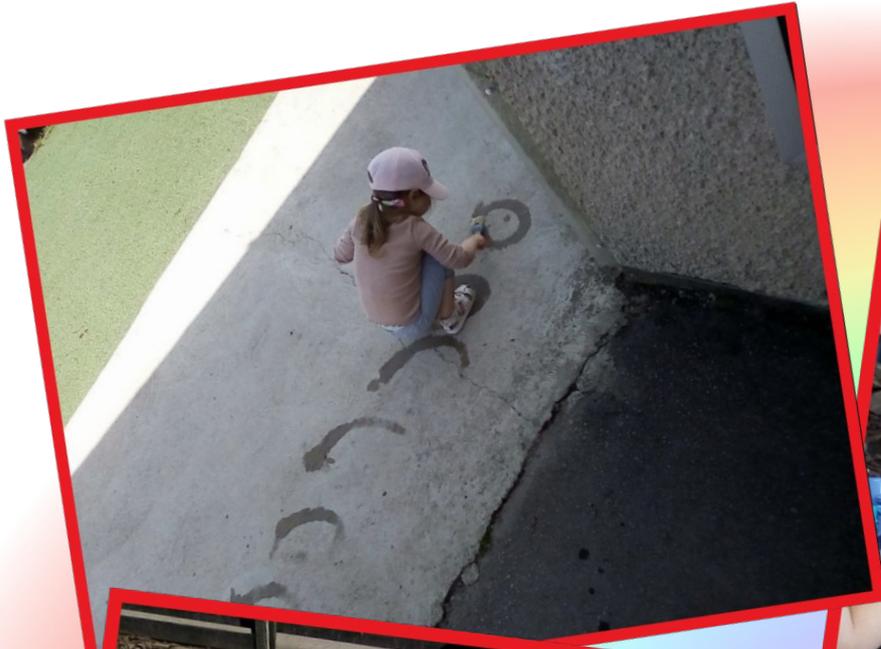
Looking at books containing flaps to lift, or textures to feel supports Physical, Communication and Language and early Literacy development.



Outdoor play is essential and creates lot's of learning opportunities such as early mark making skills, and social interactions.

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Day Nursery News...



Paint brushes and water outside promotes physical development and mark making skills.

Building and balancing objects promotes hand-eye coordination and motor skills.

Tuff trays are an excellent resource to have both at nursery and at home. There are endless ideas and themes to use them for. Here are a few examples.

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Preschool News...



Taking pencils and paper outside to create some observational drawings is an excellent way to support Literacy, Physical and Understanding of the World Development.

Recreating past experiences through role play and using the resources available as props can be seen here when the children had their very own picnic!

Old pots and pans make ideal musical instruments!

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Junior Club & Holiday Club News...



Plenty of half term fun as the children took part in a variety of 'Taskmaster' challenges earning points when tasks were successfully achieved.

Painting, clay modelling, planting seeds and making jewellery all on offer to develop creative skills.



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Junior Club & Holiday Club News...



It's going to be the Summer Holidays before we know it and this Summer break we have lots planned...take a lot below of just some of the activities in our themed weeks.

Please contact the office to avoid disappointment.

Week One: A week of den building, clay play, nature scavenger hunts, tree investigating and natural dye making.

Week two: Celebrating all things vikings, helmets, viking runes, shields and ship making

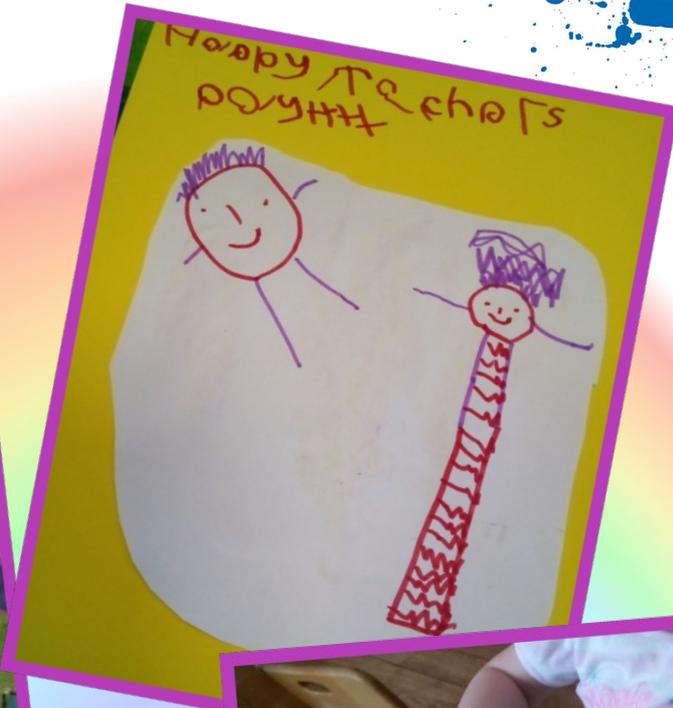
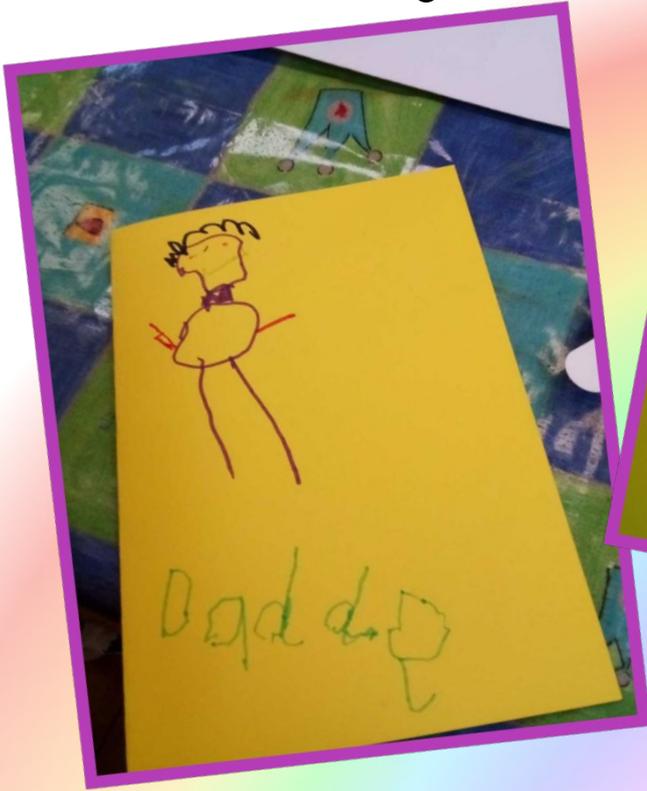
Week Three: Think fairies, wizards, goblins, kings, knights and dragons.....its fairytales week.

Week Four: creative crafts, outdoor and indoor games, gloop and science experiments.

Week five: Pirate week, pirate themed activities, crafts and treasure hunts.

Week six: Jellyfish, starfish and seahorses in this ocean themed week. Soapy sea foam and lots of water play.

Father's Day



30 Days Wild



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National Children's Gardening Week.



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Children of Light Festival-Art Competition...

A huge well done to the preschool children who entered the Children of Light Festival Art Competition.

There were over 50 entries for the Early Years section. Martha, from Snowflakes, received second place and Lucy, from Sunbeams, received a highly recommended place.....Brilliant!!



Coming up in July...

