



## Teddy Bears Nursery School Newsletter- February 2021

### CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

**POLARS** – This group will be reading the story ‘Guess how much I love you’, as well as celebrating the events Chinese New Year & Pancake Day. They will be continuing their investigation of transporting items as they solve problems using buckets, ropes, baskets, bridges & ramps using the ‘classroom investigation cube’.

**KOALAS**- This group will be looking at the story of ‘The Owl Babies’ using craft to explore the characters in the story. It would be beneficial if you could read this story at home too.

**SUNSHINES** – These children will be celebrating Chinese new year through lots of fun crafts using colour & rice to express themselves. Some music from around the world will also be introduced for the children to listen & move to!

**PANDAS** – These little ones are loving music and song so will be doing lots of singing including all the traditional nursery rhymes. They will also be investigating lots of textures through messy play using all their senses.

### RED HEART DAY – FRIDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

We will be celebrating ‘St Valentine’s Day’ by asking all the children to wear something RED to nursery. Hearts will be the shape of the day and there will be lots of fun RED activities and a RED lunch & snack menu. Remember your RED or heart outfit.



### WHAT’S GOING ON IN THE GARDEN?

The weather is very cold at this time of the year, however we do aim to get the children outside whatever the weather. Therefore please ensure you send your child to nursery with appropriate clothing including hats and gloves to keep them warm during outdoor play.

**Polar Bears**- These children will be extending their interest of transporting things outside, experimenting with different forms of transport & building on their problem solving skills.

**Koala Bears**- This group will be looking at how animals move, experimenting with their bodies as they act out animal movements.

**Sunshine Bears**- This group will be investigating textures outside & having fun getting messy!

**Panda Bears**- These little ones will be hoping to get out in the buggies to explore the local environment if our British weather allows.



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### POSITIVITY IN LOCKDOWN

Thank you for all the wonderful photos you have uploaded to tapestry showing what makes the children happy in lockdown. We have created some lovely displays in the classrooms for the children to look at & discuss with their friends. If you haven't done this yet please do it so your child can share their experiences!!

### STAFF

Welcome to Desray Lucas who has joined the team to complete her NVQ2 apprenticeship. She will be working in the Panda bubble fulltime.

### REMINDER

Any prescribed medication to be administered by us must have your child's name & the dosage on the bottle or box. Many pharmacies seem to be only placing labels on the boxes & if these are discarded it leaves the bottles/tubes unlabeled. With none of the essential information we have to refuse to administer the medication!

### PANCAKE DAY

We shall be celebrating this tradition on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February with lots of mixing, tossing and eating!



### CHINESE NEW YEAR

We shall be celebrating this festival between 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> February. Using dressing up, Chinese music and Chinese craft activities we will encourage the children to explore this fascinating culture and have fun learning about their celebrations. We will also be tasting Chinese food and having lots of fun with noodles trying to use chopsticks.... The Polar bears will have a Chinese Restaurant in the classroom to act out their own ideas so please support their learning by talking about this at home.



### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

We have three Birthdays this month!

