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Important updates:

We are delighted to announce that our new Manager Katya has joined us!



Thank you to all the parents that popped by to welcome Katya, the meet and greet was a huge hit!

We look forward to the experience, knowledge and positivity she will bring to our setting, and we are excited for this new chapter together. We know Katya will make a wonderful addition to our nursery community and we can't wait for the children and families to get to know her.

Welcome back!

We are very happy to welcome back Caitlin and Josie, who have both returned from maternity leave. Caitlin is working in the Toddler Room and Josie is working in the Preschool Room.



Josie is also our wonderful Ballet teacher.



Room movement:

Sandrina had transitioned from the Preschool room to the baby room.



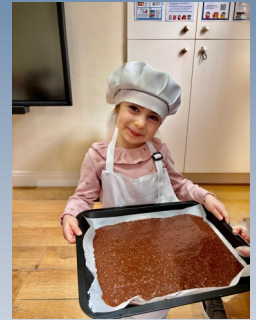


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February Highlights

Our young chefs have truly stirred up something special!

The children loved taking part in our new Mini Monkey Chef sessions, showing great enthusiasm as they explored ingredients, mixed, poured, and created their own tasty treats.



Cooking provides wonderful learning opportunities across the EYFS. Children develop early maths skills by measuring, counting, and comparing quantities.

Activities like stirring, pouring, and kneading strengthen their fine motor skills and coordination.



Cooking also encourages teamwork, turn-taking, and builds confidence as children try new foods and complete their own recipes.



Well done to our fantastic little monkey chefs!

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Winnie's Happy Hugs!

Our little furry friend made a big impact when we celebrated Love Your Pet Day — Winnie the dog truly brightened everyone's day!



Meeting Winnie was a wonderful hands-on learning experience. The children learned how to approach a dog calmly and safely, using gentle hands and asking permission before stroking.

The children asked questions about how to care for a dog, helping them understand responsibility and the needs of animals.



Some children were initially unsure, but with reassurance they grew in confidence and enjoyed stroking Winnie. The visit encouraged kindness, empathy, and respectful behaviour towards animals.

Overall, Winnie's visit was a tail-wagging success and a memorable learning experience for the children.

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Valentine's Day!

Love was in the air as the children celebrated friendships and family on Valentine's Day. The room was filled with kindness as the children talked about the special people in their lives.



They enjoyed creative activities such as making their own Valentine's cards, choosing colours, shapes, and decorations using paint, glitter, stickers, and collage materials.

These activities supported their fine motor skills while encouraging them to express their feelings through art.



Ramadan!

The children enjoyed learning about the beginning of Ramadan, helping them develop an understanding of different cultures and celebrations.



Through age-appropriate stories, they learnt that Ramadan is a special time for Muslims focused on prayer, reflection, kindness, and helping others.





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Lunar New Year

We celebrated Lunar New Year by exploring the traditions of countries such as China and Vietnam, helping the children develop their understanding of the wider world.



The children learnt about the zodiac and discovered that 2026 is the Year of the Horse, sparking conversations about different family traditions.

The children enjoyed hands-on activities such as making red lanterns, exploring music and movement, tasting cultural foods, and role play.



The celebration also promoted respect and tolerance for different cultures and beliefs, helping to broaden the children's cultural understanding and sense of belonging.

We're brushing up on healthy habits!

We are excited to have launched our Supervised Toothbrushing Programme for our pre-schoolers. This daily routine helps keep their smiles healthy while supporting their development across the EYFS.



By brushing their teeth together, children are building independence and confidence as they practise important self-care skills and learn about the importance of good oral hygiene.

The activity also supports PSED and Physical Development, helping children develop coordination, responsibility, and positive habits for the future.





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Safeguarding and Family Support

We are pleased to share that our nursery is now registered with **Operation Encompass**. This important initiative ensures that the nursery is informed by the police when a child has been exposed to a domestic incident. This allows us to provide timely, sensitive, and appropriate support to the child while they are at nursery.



If you would like more information about how this initiative works, please feel free to speak with Cristina or Alex, who are our designated Key Adults.

Wellbeing and Online Safety – Useful Links

To support families with information and resources on children's emotional wellbeing and online safety, we would like to share some helpful links that you may find useful:

Keeping your under-5 safe online:

[Keeping your under 5 safe online](#)
[Keeping under fives safe online | Childnet](#)

Parent wellbeing and mental health:

[Tips and Advice - Parent Wellbeing](#)

Parent/Carer Programmes in Hillingdon:

[Parenting Offer.pdf](#)

These resources provide useful guidance and practical tips to help support both children and families.



Parent-Teacher meetings will take place in the following weeks:

Preschool Room: will commence on Monday 13th April and continue until Wednesday 22nd April

Toddler Room: will commence on Thursday 23rd April and continue until Friday 1st May

Baby Room: will commence on Tuesday 5th May and continue until Thursday 14th May

Book a 15-minute meeting with your child's key person at pick up time during feedback .



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Ovivio Updates & Staff Use of iPads

The wellbeing and care of the children is always our main priority. Our staff aim to be fully present and engaged with the children throughout the day. During key parts of the daily routine, such as breakfast, activities, nappy changes, lunch and sleep times, the team focuses on supporting and interacting with the children rather than using the iPads.

For this reason, some information may be added to Ovivio slightly later than when it actually takes place. For example, staff may record details about meals, sleep times or nappy changes once the children are settled into the next activity.

Thank you for your understanding.



Important Reminders Nursery Closures

Good Friday: Friday 3rd April
Easter Monday: Monday 6th April
Inset day: Tuesday 7th April
May Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May
Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 25th May

Reporting Absences

If your child will be absent from nursery, please let us know as soon as possible, this is a statutory requirement. You can inform us by calling the nursery, email or by recording absence through Ovivio. When possible, please also include the reason for your child's absence.

Easter Bonnet Parade

During the week leading up to Easter, the children will be taking part in our **Easter Bonnet Parade**.

We kindly ask that all children bring an **Easter bonnet to nursery by Monday 23rd March**. The children will have the opportunity to decorate their bonnets at the nursery as part of a fun creative activity.

The Easter Bonnet Parade will then take place throughout the week as we celebrate Easter together.

We are excited for the spring and summer months ahead and look forward to enjoying special moments together, watching our children explore, grow and make the most of the sunshine and new experiences.

Thank you in advance for your support!

