



Next Steps @ St Johns



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This week at Nursery . . .

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Well done to Monty and his brother Ted (Acorns), who helped raise money for charity and had lots of fun doing so! Their Mum and Dad competed off road in their Land Rover and the boys competed in bike trials, Ted came first in the balance bike category and Monty came a close second. The event raised a massive £3500 for St Luke's Hospice. Well done!



STAR OF THE WEEK

Alfie



for some superstar rhyming!

Well done!

It's Arts Week and every class in school have been busy creating their own artwork based on a painting called "Courtyard of a House in Delft." We showed the children the painting and they talked about the house and the 'tunnel' (an archway). We have been inspired and used large boxes to make our own houses, and duplo bricks to recreate the brickwork from the painting. Other classes have used different media to create their own versions of the people in the picture.

We have started to talk to our preschool children about the NSPCC PANTS rule. This is an important aspect of our 'Healthy Me' theme and links to our PSHE scheme of work. It has been devised by the NSPCC to help children understand that their body belongs to them, and they should tell a safe adult (one that they trust) if anything makes them feel upset or worried. These discussions are at an age appropriate level but include talking about private body parts. If you have any questions regarding this, please speak to a member of the team.





We have enjoyed sharing the story, 'The Colour Monster', a lovely story about a monster who needs support to identify and separate his emotions. The children have enjoyed investigating textures, colour, and colour mixing through the hands on exploration of colourful whipped bubble foam! We have enjoyed taking part in a science experiment and making our own fizzy rainbows! We talked about the different colours and enjoyed mixing them all up at the end, just like the Colour Monster when his feelings are all jumbled up!



We continue to enjoy school role play and dressing up in uniforms. We have been working on independent skills, encouraging the children to dress themselves. The pre-schoolers have enjoyed joining reception for snack and story time and have been busy running errands with nursery staff and taking trips through the whole school.



Katie has a big day coming up! In honour of her lovely Grandad whom she sadly lost this year, she is running the Race for Life on Sunday 7th July to raise money for Cancer Research. If you would like to support Katie and donate to the charity please follow the link below. Thank you.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/maxine-katie-race-for-life>



NEW NURSERY POLO SHIRTS

We are delighted to let you all know that we have arranged for new purple polo shirts with our lovely new logo! These are optional for wearing at nursery, however if you wish to purchase, these are priced at £9.75 each and are available from Norton Sports & Camping, in Midsomer Norton.

Summer Leavers

If your child is leaving us in the summer, we would be grateful if you could confirm their last day at nursery. Please note we require at least a month's notice.

Should we not receive notification, we will assume that your child will be attending until the end of August and will invoice accordingly.
Thank you

Dates for the Diary

Pre-School Leavers' Party:
Tuesday 16th July, 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Summer Closure:
5th August - 16th August inclusive.
Nursery will re-open on Monday 19th August.

26th August: Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed

