



June 2021

Welcome to our newsletter for the month of June.

Important dates this month.

Tuesday 1st – School Photographs
Wednesday 9th – Debutots outdoors visit.
Thursday 10th – Parent transition to P1 zoom.
Wednesday 16th – Healthy Action Heroes virtual visit.
Friday 18th – Jolly Pirates Closure
Tuesday 22nd – Active Mini Olympics
Tuesday 29th – Party Day
Wednesday 30th – Drive by Graduation.

Where to access information.

Up to date information will be communicated via seesaw app, Facebook, news section of the website and on our noticeboard.
Parents have responsibility to check these regularly throughout the month for updates.
Jolly Pirates staff are here at any time if you would like to speak to us. Please contact us and we will get back to you as soon as possible before or after sessions.

What is our learning project?

This month we will be exploring ‘What have we explored/ where are we going?’ We will be engaging the children in discussion, sharing, and imputing their ideas throughout the month in their learning through play opportunities. These ideas will continue to expand and develop throughout the month.

Within this we will also be exploring the key transition time from Jolly Pirates to primary school. This will include looking at new uniforms, what will our school be like, and the emotions linked with this big step.

Where are we going can also lead to exploration of travel and summer holidays. Exploring camping, hotels, and aeroplanes.

What activities might we explore?

During June we will continue to explore activities promoting name recognition e.g., magnetic letters. We will discuss how we might feel starting primary school and explore emotions through play including books, pictures, puppets, and games. We might also explore activities relating to transport, travel, and the world.

In the role play and loft areas we will explore a school environment and a picnic area. At the art and creative area, we will have the opportunity to revisit and explore skills and resources from throughout the year. Throughout the month we will explore activities relating to graduation and celebrating our friendship and achievements from throughout the year.

What might we sing or read?

Due to Covid-19 guidance we are currently not allowed to sing indoors. We will explore songs and rhymes from throughout the year in our outdoor environment.

In the indoor environment we will do some of our rhymes and songs in a talking manner. The children also can suggest songs they would like to explore.

This month we will read stories relating to starting school, emotions, and friendship. The children will also have the opportunity to explore books and stories of their choosing in the cosy corner area.

Additional activities planned?

This month some of the guidance has updated to allow us to have a visitor attend the premises with Covid-19 mitigations in place. These visits will take place outdoors or virtually as still no one is allowed within the classroom with the children and staff.

Tuesday 1st – Dandelion Studios will be taking our class photographs outdoors. They will provide you with a log in page to view your child's photos.

Wednesday 9th – Debutots will be taking part in an interactive drama and story time called 'Going to Big School'.

Wednesday 16th – Healthy Action Heroes will be visiting us virtually. They will be talking to us about fun activities including healthy eating and exercise.

What skills are we focussing on?

We will focusing on continuing to develop the skills we have explored over the pre-school year. This month we will also look at transition to P1 and skills linked with this including change in routine and recognising/expressing emotions.

Home activity ideas:

Throughout the month we will also be sending home and sharing some transition activities with you throughout the month. We will send the date for return of resources and information home to you via seesaw. We also appreciate the careful use of the resources, and we would appreciate if they could be returned in good condition and that parents/guardians supervise the use of them to ensure that resources do not get damaged or lost. Thank you.

On our parent transition to P1 zoom evening, we will be sharing some more home activity ideas around starting school.

Additional information:

Sickness: please phone Jolly Pirates on 02892 670988, email info@jollypiratespreschool.co.uk or send a message on seesaw to alert staff to your child being off due to sickness. This would be greatly appreciated.

Please ensure all items of uniform are labelled and spare clothes bag clearly labelled. Please ensure a coat and bag comes to pre-school each day.

Any extended family members or childminders, who may be collecting children, will need **photographic I.D.** if they have not attended for a collection before. Staff must be informed the morning off collection or ahead of time that there will be someone other than parents collecting.