



June 2023

Welcome to our newsletter for the month of June.

Important dates this month.

Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th – ETI prototype inspection dates.

Thursday 15th – Active Hour visit for both classes.

Thursday 22nd – Sammy Star session.

Friday 23rd – End of year trip (children and parents).

Tuesday 27th – Graduation Red Class

Wednesday 28th – Graduation Blue Class

Thursday 29th – last day party.

Where to access information.

Up to date information will be communicated via Family 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 a new 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 a new 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 travel agents. At the art and creative area, we will have the opportunity to revisit and explore skills and resources from throughout the year including malleable materials and scissor skills. 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?

We will be exploring our June song and rhymes. These can be downloaded through the app or from our website. We will also sing children's choice of songs and rhymes.

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 throughout sessions.

Additional activities planned?

13th and 14th – ETI will be attending Jolly Pirates to carry out a prototype inspection. Two inspectors will be present on each day and will interact with the children and staff within the rooms.

15th – Active Hour will be visiting us for a Mini Olympics session full of physical exercise and sport activities.

22nd – will be our last visit this year from Sammy Star and Laura, we will be ending the year on a high with another exciting music class and celebration.

23rd – end of year trip. Please see previous Family posts and an additional letter will be issued to confirm child and parent attendance.

27th/28th – Graduation dates (27th Red Class and 28th Blue Class)

29th – non uniform end of year party day. Last day of Jolly Pirates for both classes.

What skills are we focussing on?

We will be focusing on continuing to develop the skills we have explored over the pre-school year and providing the children with lots of opportunities to explore and use the skills they have gained.

This month we will also look at transition to P1 and skills linked with this including change in routine, recognising our name and recognising/expressing emotions. We will discuss their new teachers and the experiences they have had on their play and stay visits.

Home activity ideas:

We will be continuing to share our home activity bags throughout the month for the children to engage with. Following on from our transition to primary one zoom for parents, we will be sharing more information on activity ideas and support tools which can be used to help children through the transition process.

Additional information:

Sickness: please phone Jolly Pirates on 02892 670988, email info@jollypiratespreschool.co.uk or send a message on Family 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 of collection or ahead of time that there will be someone other than parents collecting.