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**Welcome!**  
**DEAR FAMILIES,**

**WE HOPE YOU ARE ALL WELL. THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO READ OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER THAT SHOWS YOU SOME OF WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO. WE PROVIDE A RANGE OF DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE DAY THAT IS PLANNED FOR WEEKLY. WE ENSURE THESE ACTIVITIES OFFER SUPPORT AND ALSO PROMOTE CHALLENGE TO OUR CHILDREN. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES/COMMENTS/FEEDBACK/SUGGESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT US DIRECTLY ON [LMNS@LITTLE-MARVELS.CO.UK](mailto:LMNS@LITTLE-MARVELS.CO.UK). PLEASE ALSO FOLLOW, LIKE AND SUPPORT OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES: @LITTLEMARVELSNURSERYSERVICES ON INSTAGRAM AND @LITTLEMARVELSNUSERYSERVES ON FACEBOOK.**

**KIND REGARDS,**  
**LISA KEARNE**  
**SERVICES MANAGER**

**Block Building!**



This month the preschool used building blocks to make their own unique structures. Using building blocks is very good for the preschool children as it helps advance their fine motor skills, hand eye coordination and reasoning. Furthermore using the building blocks helps the children to problem solve as there are times that certain blocks do not fit each other, this leads the children to look for different solutions which is good for their personal development.

**Bubbles!**



This month the babies took part in chasing around and popping bubbles. Playing with bubbles is a good way for the babies to learn how to recognise patterns. Furthermore the babies reaching and popping the bubbles help develop their motor skills and their hand eye- coordination.



## Indoor Activities!



The preschool also took part in mark making with flour using their hands, fingers and forks. This allows them to be expressive as they are able to make anything they want to which is important for the brain development. It is very good for preschool children to experiment with flour as they are able to work on the fine motor skills and they are also able to practice their letter formation.

## Sensory Play!



This month the preschool enjoyed doing sensory play in different way, they used a tray of objects such as animal figures, pom-poms and pasta, the preschool playing the animals helps them understand the animals and environments around the world. They are able to familiarise themselves with the different names and sounds that the animals make. The pom-poms on the other hand were softer and allowed them to get a different type of feeling as its a different texture.

## Valentines Day!



As valentines day was this month the children really wanted to take cards home to their families, so this month they painted their hands with red paint to create their own specialised cards to take home. Using paint allows the children to learn visual expression, spacial intelligence and colour recognition. This is good for the children brain development as they are able to remember colours easier each time they play with paint.

### Labelling Personal Items

Can all parents / guardians and carers please ensure that all personal items are labelled with your child's name. We have lots of children in and out every day and do not want to mix their belongings up.

### Nursery Information

Can all parents / guardians and carers please ensure your child has a water bottle and appropriate clothing on warmer days, i.e. sun hat. Sun cream can be applied at the setting if provided.



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This is just a reminder for parents that if your child requires Calpol or any other over the counter medication for general illnesses, they are not allowed to attend nursery. Please ensure you communicate with the nursery if your child will not be attending.