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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 @LITTLEMARVELSNURSERYSERVES ON FACEBOOK.  
KIND REGARDS,  
LISA KEARNE  
BUSINESS MANAGER

## Easter Fun!



The children in preschool room have also enjoyed making nest cakes for Easter this term. The children helped to mix melted chocolate and rice krispies together and then carefully put the mixture into some cake cases, ready to take home for a nice treat! Activities like this helps to promote children's hand - eye coordination and their motor skills, it helps to aid their listening and comprehension skills as they follow instructions.

## Painting!



This month the children in pre-school room have been learning about colours and how we can mix different colours together to make a new colour. The children concentrated really well and enjoyed watching how the colours changed. Activities like this help to teach children about the primary and secondary colours. They experiment and practise science thinking skills such as cause and effect, making predictions and comparing while they observe the results.

## Puzzle Play!



This month the babies have been exploring different inset puzzles, and seeing if they were able to fit the correct pieces into the correct slots. Puzzles are an excellent tool for developing fine motor skills. As the children handle the small pieces, they strengthen their finger muscles. They have to pick them up, turn them and hold them carefully to join them together, which requires good control and helps with concentration skills.

## Focus Activity!



In toddler room this month the children have been exploring insects and bugs. One activity the toddler's enjoyed doing was to create butterfly pictures by painting their handprints and then printing it onto paper then folding the paper to make the picture look like a butterfly! Activities like this help to promote a child's sensory exploration as well as helping them to improve their colour learning and spatial Intelligence.

## Sensory Play!



In baby room this month the babies have enjoyed exploring different textures, we put different cereals with different textures into a box for them to explore and play with. They really enjoyed this activity and sat for a long period of time feeling and looking at the different cereals. Sensory activities like this are not only really easy and fun to do but the children benefit by supporting their brain development as it helps to enhance memory skills as well as problem solving skills, as they work out the new textures they are feeling and seeing.

### 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.



### NOTICES:

As the warm weather is approaching, please can parents remember to put children in appropriate clothing for nursery, remembering for warmer days sun hats and sun cream

A reminder for parent's/carers if your child is unwell, they need to stay at home until they are better before returning back to nursery.