



Newsletter Spring 2020



Staff updates:

It is with great sadness that we have to say goodbye to Callum. Callum has decided to move out of Somerset and is making a home for himself in Burton on Trent. He has been with us for over six years and he will be greatly missed by the children and our team. We would like to wish him the very best of luck for this new chapter, his last day will be the 9th March.

Our fantastic nursery practitioner, Lily, will be joining the Toddler team in Callum's absence. She will be spending some time in the Toddler room in the next few weeks getting to know the children and the parents.

We are so happy to welcome back Kerry and Nicola from maternity leave. Kerry is in the Pre-School room and will be working Thursday's and Friday's. Nicola has joined the nursery team and will be working Wednesday's, Thursday's and Friday's.

We would like to welcome Grace, who has recently moved into the area. She will be joining the Pre-School team full time at the end of February and will be taking up her apprenticeship with us.

Training:

In March, Emma will be carrying out her SENCO training and Alice will be refreshing her Safeguarding training. Some of the staff have updated their Food Hygiene and completed FGM training also.

We need you!

We are looking for visitors to talk to the children about their role in work. If you are a Chef, Police Officer, Fire fighter, Nurse, lorry driver etc we would love to arrange for you to come in and chat to the children about your job. Our focus over the year, is to provide more 'Special visits' for the children. We would like to provide them with skills and knowledge for the world in which they live in. If you can help support us with any festivals that you celebrate, we would be very appreciative!

Car park:

Our car park can get very busy throughout points of the day. We would like all of customers to be considerate when they are trying to park. More importantly, please hold your child's hand when they are leaving the building. There has been to many close calls and we would hate for someone to be injured.

Tapestry:

Don't forget to upload pictures and observations your child's adventures, your contributions are so valuable.

Well-being focus

Children and our team's mental health and well-being is so important to us at Bright Stars. We have been working with our mental health ambassadors to put in place some daily tools to help the children and staff. Activities like breathing exercises, yoga and our openness to discuss how we are feeling. If you would like some ideas of how to support your child's wellbeing, check out our website or talk to our mental health ambassadors Cassie and Amie.

Our special guests

We are so excited to announce, the Pre-School class will be having some special guests visit them after Easter. The eggs will arrive on Tuesday 14th April, we will get to observe the eggs hatching and have them for ten days. This experience offers so many learning opportunities. Do not worry if your child is not in Pre-School, the whole setting will be able to visit them.

Our website

Please can we encourage you to check our website, we often put interesting activities, news and important dates on there.

Reminders:

- Please name your children's belongings especially items such as uniform.
- Invoices need to be paid on the 1st of every month
- We have very limited availability in most of the rooms now, so if you think you may want different sessions in the future, our advice would be to get in quick.
- PLEASE PACK SPARE CLOTHES FOR YOUR CHILDREN. We have very limited on spare clothes and we do not always get it returned. Thank you.
- Please bring suitable clothing to the nursery for the change in weather.
- If you are on the waiting list for sessions, Sam will contact you when it is available. She looks at it every Monday.