



Friday 22nd April

Welcome back to the Summer Term. The children have been telling us all about what they got up to over the Easter break and chocolate featured heavily! We are starting the term with a Spring topic. It's been lovely this week enjoying the Spring weather and taking care of our plants in our Sensory garden.

We have explored parts of a flower, created lots of colourful spring art work and talked about signs of spring. The children were very excited to notice that some growing has been happening in the sensory garden whilst we have been away.

We have enjoyed some beautiful weather in the garden. The water tray has been a popular area this week! The children used pipes in the tray to demonstrate how 'Incy Wincy' could climb up and Otilie told us, "I know, the water could be the rain".

Parent and Child Review

Flying Start Pre-School believes partnership with parents is very important! Parents are experts on their own child and are their child's first and main educators. To ensure we meet the needs of the children in our care effectively, we build strong relationships with parents, families and carers to make sure that the sharing of information is a two-way, on-going process.

We would appreciate you taking the time to complete the attached 'Parent and Child Review of Learning' for the Summer Term 2021. You can complete and email back or we will have hard copies at nursery next week.

3 and 4 Year Old Funding

- If you are receiving funding, then you will be given a Declaration Form to complete over the next couple of weeks. Here you will record your 30-hour eligibility code if you have one. If this is the first term of receiving the funding then you will need to show Michelle or Lizzie an original form of ID for your child such as a Passport of Birth Certificate.
- Please remember to renew your Extended funding on the gateway website every 3 months. If the funding is not available for us to claim, then you will be charged the full rate over the universal 15 hours.
- If your child turns 3 years of age between 1st April and 31st August then it is recommended you apply for the Extended funding between 15th June and 31st July. Please check out this website to see who is eligible and how to apply. to <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>
- Note there are additional charges per session even with funding. <https://www.flyingstartmolesey.com/fees-and-funding>

Invoices

All Summer Term Invoices have been emailed out. Summer 1 payment is due today.

Makaton this week is:

Flower

Value of the Month is:
Responsibility

We are always teaching children to be independent and responsible. One of our Curriculum goals is INDEPENDENCE. Support your child to take responsibility for their own belongings. Have they got their coat, bag, water bottle and lunch box to go to preschool? Where do they put their belongings when they get home? Teach them where to put things rather than dumped on the floor as soon as you walk in the front door!! Teach them to be independent by modelling and allowing them to do things for themselves.

Term Dates

Summer Term 13 weeks

Start of term - Tues 19th April
Half term – Mon 30th May – Fri 3rd June
Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May
Wed 29th June – Farm Visit (all welcome more info to follow)
End of term - Thurs 21st July
<https://www.flyingstartmolesey.com/term-dates>

Song of the week:

'Incy Wincy Spider

