



MORETON HALL PREPCARE – February 2018

Two's Count

Zoe and Linda recently went on a training course called Two's Count Project. The Project supports practitioners, so the staff can support the 2 year olds better and help them achieve. The course outcomes of the course are:

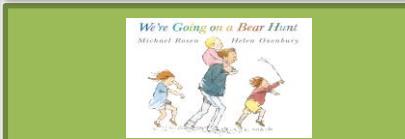
- Recognising the impact on provision in light of the increase of those now eligible to access two year old funding.
- Considering the special ways of being, doing and learning in relation to being two
- Considering the practitioners role in supporting two year olds.
- Looking at parent partnership and the settling in process.
- Considering the needs, interests and styles of learning of two year olds/the routines of the day.

From this, we have decided to concentrate on Behaviour and Language development. There will be updates on our progress and also a chance for toddler parents to come in and learn more about this.

Training

The staff are always trying to find new courses for their own professional development. We will all be completing our letters and sounds training and Linda and Rhea will be working on Empowering Learning with Digital technology and we will also be completing a course on Mathematical Challenges within the Environment.

In Toddlers, we have been doing lots of science experiments, such as sinking and floating, chemical reactions and exploring different types of sensory play, ie foam and blocks, sensory playdough and coloured rice.



In Babies, we have been exploring the 'going on a bear hunt' book.

We have been on a bear hunt around the garden, made bear paw cookies and made our sensory tray into the story, using grass, shaving foam, pasta, gel, leaves and sticks.



Date for your Diary

Thursday 8th February - Valentines Disco PS 1 and 2 3.45-4.45 £2.50 each

Thursday 22nd February - Topsy Turvey Dy Preschool and Pre-Prep

Wednesday 14th February 10-11am - Valentine's Day Parent Day PS2 and Toddler

Babies Chinese New Year Parent Day - Date to be confirmed

The Great British Weather!

Now that the weather is definitely getting colder and damp, please could you make sure that all children come in with wellies and coats so that we can still explore the outdoors. Also, please could you make sure you write names on their items as some children like the look of other children's items.



The children have been celebrating Burns night and Australia day.

They made some beautiful Anzac biscuits and making kilts rolling cars through paint to create a tartan effect. They also learnt about Aboriginal dot art and different animals from Australia. Thank you to all the parents that came to Preschool 1's Australia parent day.

Reminders

Please can I ask all parents to drive slowly when entering and leaving the premises as children could be crossing, it has been noted that some parents are driving to quickly. Thank you.

Please can parents not let one another in, no parent should be entering the premises unbeknown to staff, so please respect one another and wait for a staff member.

Can I remind parents that we do open at 8 and shut at 6pm as a lot of children have been here before 8 and past 6pm.

Thank you

Thank you in advance.