



Dates for Diary

Yellow Room's Lunch Box Dates:

Monday 11th August & Thursday 14th August

Tuesday 19th August & Friday 22nd August

Wednesday 27th August

On these days, children are welcome to bring in a healthy, nut free packed lunch as we support the children to get ready for school pack lunches. See Seesaw for more

Nursery News

Thank you to all the families that attended Yellow rooms Graduation ceremony on Wednesday 30th July. The sun came out in the afternoon which meant the whole afternoon went exactly to plan. It's like the weather knew how much we needed it be nice!

The children did everyone proud as always, singing their hearts out for us all. We hope you all had a lovely afternoon celebrating with us.

Now is the time that we begin to say Goodbye to many children as they leave Little Stars to begin their next adventure in school.

We will miss the children so much!

Don't forget, **Don't cry because it's over, Smile because it happened** 😊
Thank you for the lovely gifts and cards we have received. They mean a lot to us all.

Baby Room News

This month we have been working on our fine motor skills, we did activities such as drawing, jigsaws and playing with soil where the children used their hands to pick up the soil and move it into a plant pot. To support this at home you might want to do some painting in the garden with water and paint brushes or maybe having a sensory tray with different textures for them feel and pick up with their hands. We have noticed that the children have been displaying signs of the enveloping and containing schema, this is when children like to be under or inside things such as boxes, blankets or tents. We supported this by asking parents if they had any old big boxes or a tunnel and tent that they could donate. We had lots of parents donate the things we asked for and we thank you so much, the babies really appreciate it. To support this at home you could make dens with your child and use material to play peek-a-boo. You could play with sand or mud and hide things inside for your child to find. Emma and Becca did a continuous provision course to expand our knowledge of how to provide this for the children, so the children are able to learn new skills and challenge their thinking with the provisions we have inside the room. We have had children begin to walk, cruise and crawl in the last month and are so proud of how they are developing. We love to see them meet their different milestones. Well Done. Da Iawn.

Blue Room News

Blue room have been focusing on their colours, fine motor skills and gross motor skills. The children have been offered numerous activities to engage in to enhance their skills. For our colours we not only set out activities, but we would point out colours throughout our normal day to day activities as well. For example, oh look your coat is green or when leaving the dining room we say to the children "find the blue door". This helps children to identify colours through everyday life. To support the children's fine motor skills we painted pictures for National Marine week using paint brushes and stamps. The children were given the opportunity to look at real sea life animals on the iPad and we then put our sea animal toys on the table for the children to look at whilst they used the brushes and stamps to create their own pictures. Whilst playing with playdough we have given the children different tools to be able choose from to cut, press and roll the playdough. Activities like playdough not only builds and supports a child's fine motor skills but helps build the muscles in the children's hands for things such as writing when they are older. The children have been enjoying large physical activities this month as well. We have had some new walkers which we are very proud of and it's lovely to see how proud they are of themselves. We are supporting the children's gross motor skills by offering help and support on the balancing beams outside, climbing up onto the slides and encouraging them to slide down independently. Inside we made a den out of stretchy materials and the beds for the children to take turns and crawl through. We have lots of exciting things coming up over the summer and we hope you all have a lovely summer as well. 😊

Red Room News

This month the children have been practising their fine motor skills, by cutting using the children's stickers. The children have access to the scissors at the craft table in the room and are shown how to correctly use the scissors and supervised by adults. The children have been practising their cutting skills using a range of materials, such as card, paper, cardboard and tissue paper. The children have been continuing their Welsh skills through stories, songs and Welsh phrases around the room. Welsh is used throughout the whole daily routine and the children are learning more Welsh every week. Transitions such as toothbrushing time, hand washing and outdoor play are where instructions are given in Welsh as well. The children love to listen to Welsh stories and to sing Welsh songs. We have also been practising our gross motor skills through different activities that involves keeping our balance such as, the balance beams, drawing lines on the floor to help the children follow the lines and playing on the balance bikes. There are different things you can do at home to help with your child's gross motor skills such as scooters and push bikes.

Using Welsh books and singing Welsh songs with the children are a great way of further developing your child's Welsh skills. There are a lot of songs on YouTube for this.

Kaye, Abbie and Maria attended a safeguarding course earlier this month too to keep our training up to date.

Yellow Room News

We have had lots of fun practicing graduation songs and choosing our favourite songs to dance to. We hope you enjoyed watching what the children worked so hard on. New in Yellow room is the new doctor's office in replacement of the builder's yard. The children have always enjoyed playing doctors and so we knew this would be a huge hit and so it is. They have really enjoyed getting to use the equipment and learn what they are used for and can all now do it independently. We also have had a donation of porcelain items, enhancing the children's skills with more delicate items to play with. We would like to thank everyone for these donations as our home corner is looking full and fulfilling, and we see lots of different role play happening throughout the day. The craft table has been very busy this month, each child working hard on their fine motor skills while using a pen or pencil. We have been adding lots of new recourses to intrigue their mind and increase their skills with glue and tape. We have recently been working on our outdoor registers this month and adding to our routine by having the children reply 'yma' to their name when inside. This is something they will do in school, and the older children have enjoyed helping others with their answer. We have also been working on developing our risk taking outside and creating more challenging obstacles to further enhance gross motor skills.

Ellisha and Lindsay have both completed their safeguarding this month and thoroughly enjoyed the learning experience.



Happy Birthday to Eric Lambert who will be 2 on the 17th August
Happy Birthday to Zachary falconer-Clarke who will be 4 on the 8th August
Happy Birthday to Isla Falconer-Clarke who will be 4 on the 8th August
Happy Birthday to Maddison Jones who will be 4 on the 20th August
Happy Birthday to Theodore Clarke who will be 4 on the 22nd August

We are promoting the Welsh language at nursery we will have a 'phrase of the month'. This month's phrase is Hapus. 'hap-pis'. This means happy. Please encourage your child to say hapus in Welsh throughout the day. Children just soak up the languages; it can also be a lot of fun for parents!



Christmas Closure Dates 2025 PLEASE NOTE: As per your contract:

"The nursery is open 51 weeks of the year except at weekends, Bank Holidays, Christmas Holidays and other public holidays. Dates will be confirmed annually, these dates will vary according to Bank Holidays. Fees are calculated over 51 weeks per year divided by 12 equal monthly payments. Should you leave the nursery at any time **No monies are refundable**". Nursery will be closed for 5 working days plus bank holidays over the Christmas period.

This year nursery open and close dates are as follows -

Tuesday 23rd December - 1 - CLOSED, Wednesday 24th December - 2 - CLOSED, Thursday 25th December - BANK HOLIDAY, Friday 26th December - BANK HOLIDAY, Monday 29th December - 3 - CLOSED, Tuesday 30th December - 4 - CLOSED, Wednesday 31st December - 5 - CLOSED, Thursday 1st January - BANK HOLIDAY, Friday 2nd January - RE-OPEN.