

# Poppins Post -February, March, April

# **General News**

Happy New Year to everyone, we hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year and have now settled into 2019.

- We would like to Welcome Naomi, Nichola and Emily to the Poppins team, we hope by now you have been introduced and had chance to get to know them.
- Comments and suggestions As part of developing our service we ask that you please give us some feedback via the suggestions box located in the main office.
- To assist us in maintaining high levels of security could we please remind all parents and carers to close and secure gates when entering and leaving the nursery.
- We would also like to take the opportunity to thank all who came to parents evening and for those who could not make it and who would like to discuss their child's progress here at Poppins, please feel free to speak with your child's key worker.
- Just a quick reminder to parents that if children are bringing in toys from home that we are unable to take responsibility for the loss or damage of these toys, so please do avoid where possible sending in anything that is of sentimental value.

## Dates for Your Diary

#### February

Chinese New Year - Tuesday 5th<sup>th</sup> February

Valentine's Day- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February

#### March

St Davids Day - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March

Pancake Day Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

World Book Day- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March (Please come dressed up as your favourite book character)

St Patricks Day – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March

Mothers Day Afternoon tea- Friday 29th March (more information to follow)

Red Nose Day- (more information to follow)

## <u>April</u>

Easter Bonnet Competition - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April

St George's Day - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

## Room News



## **February**

Wishing a very happy birthday to Olivia who turns 2 this month! Toddler room are very excited to see you!

During this month we are very excited to celebrate Valentine's Day, Chinese New Year and Shrove Tuesday! We have lots of creative and exciting activities planned to celebrate in style and we look forward to sharing our creations with you.

Babies will be taking part in some Chinese themed activities. Playing with noodles and stir fry and tasting some Chinese foods in honour of the Chinese New Year.

For Valentine's Day we will be dressing in red and making cards and a few surprises for our loved ones!!

Furthermore we shall be updating our mark making gallery and will be displaying much of our fantastic mark making work so be sure to take a look.

# <u>March</u>

A huge happy birthday to Martha who turns 2 this month! We hope you have a lovely day!

March brings a very tasty day and we are very much looking forward to celebrating 'Pancake Day' through exploration of themed trays that include the following; lemon drizzle, flour play, pancake decorating and tasting sessions to mention a few.

Further into the month we look forward to spending some time with our mummy's and nanny's in celebrating Mother's Day, where we will share some special creations we have made.

## <u>April</u>

A big happy birthday to Luna who turns 2 this month! We hope you enjoy toddler room!

During April we will be celebrating Easter and we are looking forward to making nest cakes, decorating eggs and going on a Easter egg hunt.

In April we will also be looking at healthy eating, to help with this topic we will be reading 'The Hungry Caterpillar' story. There will be lots of food exploration, exploring different textures, tastes and smells, and discovering some new likes and perhaps dislikes. We will also be creating our very own Hungry Caterpillar display.



**Butterfly Room** 

February

Firstly we would like to wish a very happy birthday to both Maria and Rupert who turn 3 this month! We hope you are excited for preschool!

February will be a very creative month in the Butterfly Room as we will be celebrating both Chinese New Year and Valentine's Day.

For Chinese New Year we will make our very own dragon that will sit above our newly created Chinese restaurant role play area. This area will further explore Chinese traditions and allow children to learn in a fun, exciting and practical way. We will be taking a trip to our very own Chinese restaurant where we will be tasting some very tasty Chinese treats ©.

Valentine's day celebrations will see us getting very arty in making our own cards, gifts and tasty treats for the ones we love.

## March

Wishing a very happy birthday to Ralph and Beth who turn 3 this month! We hope you have a lovely day!

This month is a month of celebration! Firstly we will be interactively learning all about St David's Day and creating our very own daffodils after taking a nice long stroll through the village in search of daffodils.

This day is closely followed by 'Pancake Day' and we are very much looking forward to celebrating this day by making our very own pancakes and tasting them<sup>©</sup>. In addition to this we will be exploring pancake themed trays where we will have chances to explore the ingredients using our senses.

St Patrick's Day will be lots of fun in the Butterfly Room; we will be exploring Irish traditions by dressing up, listening to Irish music, dancing and making four leaf clovers. Please look out for our pictures on facebook.

We also look forward to celebrating at nursery with our mummies and nannies as we wish them a very 'Happy Mother's Day'. In preparation for this we will be partaking in some very exciting and creative activities designed to teach us all about 'Mothers Day'. We will be making our very own mummy's day cards, sharing stories of our mummies during circle time and even making some tasty treats to share with our mummies/nannies.

Aside from these celebrations we will also be looking at updating our boards in the room and will be planting seeds for our spring board looking closely at growth and decay on a basic level.

# <u>April</u>

A big happy birthday to Madison and Charlotte who turn 3 this month! We hope you have a wonderful day and enjoy preschool.

We shall be celebrating Easter this month where we will be decorating eggs, making cards and cakes and going on an Easter egg hunt. Later in the month we will be looking at St George's day where we will have the opportunity to dress up and make English flags. This month we will be looking closely at shapes, numbers and colours. We will de doing this through an array of exciting and fun activities such as bug hunts, sensory trays, outings and circle times.



Ladybird Room

# <u>February</u>

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to both Clara and Amelia who turn 4 this month! Have a fantastic day girls!

During February we are very much looking forward to exploring and learning all about 'Chinese New Year', we will be looking closely at the tradition and how it is celebrated. One exciting activity we will be partaking in is a Chinese New Year food tasting session. We look forward to sharing stories and pictures with you.

Further into the month we shall be sharing the love in celebrating Valentine's Day © during which we will be making special valentines cards for our loved ones and exploring valentine's themed trays. These trays will be exciting, fun and engaging activities, for example 'hunt the hearts in jelly' to encourage children to explore and in turn will be engaging in conversation and learning all about the tradition.

Aside from exploring February's celebrations and traditions we will be extending our spontaneous learning from last term in looking closely at our community and the types of houses and buildings that surround us. We will be going on a walk through the village to gain some firsthand experiences. The children will discuss buildings such as shops, vets, accountants, domestic homes etc and talk about what activities take place.

### March

March is a tasty month in that we will be celebrating 'pancake day', we will be making our very own pancakes to both taste and race with and look forward to sharing our learning all about the ingredients that are needed for pancakes.

We shall also be exploring lots and lots of stories this month, where we will look closely at themes, characters, story structures etc in preparation for 'world book day' where we will be dressing up as some of our very own favourite book characters.

Further into the month we will be celebrating our mommies and nannies that help us to grow everyday; we will be talking about our relationships and hopefully sharing a special day with them at preschool. We look forward to getting very creative and crafty in making our mummies and nannies some special cards and gifts.

Ending the month we will look forward to 'doing our bit' for children in need and we will be sure to share our success with you.

#### <u>April</u>

Wishing Carson a very happy 4<sup>th</sup> birthday this month! We hope you have a lovely day!

This month we shall be getting very creative in making Easter cards, decorating eggs, making cakes and much more! We are also looking forward to the Easter bonnet parade on 17<sup>th</sup> April and seeing who can win the prize for the best bonnet!

Get ready for 'BATTLE' because this month we will be celebrating St Georges Day in style in designing and creating our very own shields to use against the fire breathing dragon that lives in the preschool cupboard<sup>©</sup>.

This month we shall also be beginning to learn all about the different names of baby animals i.e piglet, lamb etc.

Numeracy Focus - shape, space and measure

Literacy focus - structure of stories