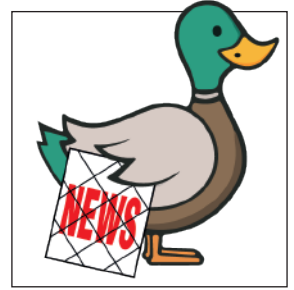




# DERBY STREET

# NEWS FLASH



February 2025

## LOOK WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING...

This month we have all participated in Funky Feet training, which focuses on movement and music. We have incorporated this into our daily routine across all rooms. Both the children and staff have thoroughly enjoyed learning new dances and songs, having lots of fun along the way.

Linking to Healthy Eating Week, the Little Lambs engaged in various activities and explored their senses. They played with scented playdough, participated in a fruit-tasting activity where they tried mango, raspberries, nectarine, and banana, and explored fruit painting and printing. They also enjoyed sensory water play with a healthy food-themed tray. The children had an exciting time making their own apple pie with Fedy, our cook. They helped scoop, pour, and create the pie, tasting it once it had cooled—delicious!

The Ducklings linked healthy eating, teeth brushing, and emotions with our "Book with a Hook" titled I Love You Just the Way You Are. This story focused on daily routines we follow at home. The children participated in activities such as washing baby dolls, making vegetable soup in the home corner, brushing the teeth of babies and animals using toothbrushes and toothpaste, and singing our new "Brush Your Teeth" song.

The Ducklings also explored the weather, showing great interest in the changing conditions, even saying that Elsa had "froze the world." They explored real ice and snow outside and brought it indoors for further play. They painted the ice, used small-world animals in it, and explored ways to melt it, using many descriptive words. Additionally, they engaged with a sensory weather-themed tuff tray and created their own sensory weather bags.

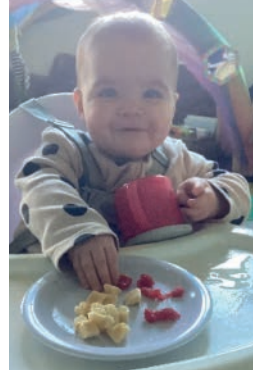
The Farmers thoroughly enjoyed Healthy Eating Week and extended it with dental hygiene activities. The children demonstrated a strong understanding of healthy and unhealthy foods while working together on various activities. They participated in germ science experiments, used fine motor skills to peel and cut their own fruit, and made fruit salad for snack time. They enjoyed role-playing as dentists, using toothbrushes and toothpaste to clean the dolls' teeth and brushing germs away from large teeth models as they learned about plaque. They also read a story about visiting the dentist.

The Farmers created their own community town while discussing where we buy our groceries and how food reaches the shops. They focused on physical development skills by participating in scissor control activities and engaging in new parachute games and dancing.

If anyone would like to book an individual catch-up with their child's key worker, please email us, and we will be happy to arrange a suitable date and time.

## WHAT WE WILL BE DOING NEXT...

We will continue to embed our Funky Feet training, focusing on music and movement while linking it to physical development, sensory play, and school readiness. Additionally, we will learn how to stay safe when using technology at home. We will introduce Ramadan to the children as it starts this month.



Thank you to everyone who completed the survey. We really appreciate you taking the time to share your feedback, helping us recognise our strengths and identify areas for improvement as we make positive changes moving forward.

## Dates for the Diary:

**1ST – 4TH FEBRUARY – NATIONAL STORY TELLING WEEK**

Please send pictures in from home reading to your child

**3RD FEBRUARY – 9TH FEBRUARY – CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**

Lots of mindfulness activities to take place in nursery

**11TH FEBRUARY – SAFER INTERNET DAY – FARMERS ROOM**

**FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY – VALENTINES DAY**

Pamper day in nursery - stay and play sessions to be confirmed

**MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY – RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY**

**17TH – 21ST FEBRUARY HALF TERM – NURSERY CLOSED FOR TERM TIME CHILDREN**

**FRIDAY 4TH APRIL – NURSERY WILL BE CLOSED**

Annual company training day



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