

## **DERBY STREET**

# NEWS FLASH



#### March 2025

## LOOK WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING...

We have had a very exciting month as we have explored learning about the Lunar New Year, Valentine's Day, internet safety, and taken part in Children's Mental Health Week (focusing on our feelings and emotions and learning techniques that can help us to self-regulate).

We would like to say a big thank you to all our parents/carers who came and participated in our Valentine's Day Stay and Play sessions—we all had so much fun!

The Little Lambs have had a very exploratory, sensory-filled month as they have explored jelly play, sensory water play, biscuit decorating, scented playdough, spaghetti play, and music and dance, all of which linked into the different celebrations throughout the month. The children have also really enjoyed their Book with a Hook, which linked to different vehicles as they watched the big bin truck outside, listened to a police car siren, and took part in activities such as car track painting, a mini car wash, and digging with diggers in the sand and mud.

The Ducklings explored the Lunar New Year—they created their own special food in the home comer restaurant, looked at the different animals linked to the zodiac calendar, and carried out animal yoga. They had the opportunity to explore chopsticks and take part in various mark-making activities. The children enjoyed our Valentine's celebrations and loved taking part in a mindfulness spa day along with the Farmers' room, which also linked to Mental Health Week. The Ducklings have been learning about the weather and occupations, enjoying ice and water play and dressing up using our doctor's set.

The Farmers have been really engaged throughout the month, challenging themselves with new learning as we explored the different celebrations. We have focused on internet safety, speaking to the children about the dos and don'ts whilst on their devices at home, finding out what they already know, and creating an internet safety board within the room to help them understand and provide ongoing support—this is something that we will continue to learn about. The children have been very involved in Mental Health Week and loved creating sensory bottles, participating in a blindfolded sensory touch-and-listen session, and learning lots of self-regulation techniques.



We have shared information with parents/carers via the ParentZone app—this information is also available as a paper copy. If anyone would like a copy, please ask a member of staff. There is also a page called Tiny Happy People that you can visit, which provides more information about internet safety for young children and offers support on many topics—please take a look.

### WHAT WE WILL BE DOING NEXT ...

We will be focusing on the season of spring, beginning to look at the changes in weather, planting, and lifecycles. We will also be learning all about Ramadan.





# **Dates for the Diary:**

TUES 4TH MARCH - SHROVE TUESDAY (PANCAKE DAY)

WED 6TH MARCH - WORLD BOOK DAY

Come dressed as your favourite character or bring in your favourite book

THUR 7TH MARCH - GLOBAL DAY OF UNPLUGGING TECHNOLOGY

A challenge to spend more family time together as technology is unplugged

7TH – 16TH MARCH – SCIENCE WEEK

We will be taking part in lots of science experiments in nursery – why not try some at home and send pictures in for us to look at

#### 17TH - 23RD MARCH - RECYCLING WEEK

We will be doing lots of activities around recycling – please send in some pictures of you and your child recycling at home

FRI 4TH APRIL – NURSERY WILL BE CLOSED FOR OUR ANNUAL COMPANY TRAINING DAY

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Or keep in touch with iConnect/ParentZone, please ask a member of staff if you need help

