



## BURY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER JULY TO AUGUST ISSUE



### LITTLE LAMBS

Lambs have been busy throughout June looking at numbers & shapes to promote Maths. We took part in lots of activities which included creative activities, large outdoor mark-making (see our displays), and have loved singing songs about shapes & numbers in our new Maths den.

We celebrated Eid festival and played multi-cultural music and dressed up in different clothes. The children enjoyed trying new foods from our Indian selection for tea, mmm delicious!

### DUCKLINGS

They have been busy planting in our outdoor area, and had fun watching the tadpoles grow into frogs. They went on a country walk and released them into a pond. We now have 2 pet fish—Dory & Nemo. The next topic for the Ducklings is Maths, focusing on shapes, space, measuring and numbers.

The children were introduced to a new friend, our reading bear Benji. Each child can take Benji home to read a book of their choice. We would be grateful if you could share pictures over ParentZone. This is a great way to promote communication and language skills.

### LITTLE FARMERS

We have been supporting the children who are getting ready to leave nursery to start a new chapter in their lives by going to school. We set up a school readiness workshop and invited parents/carers along who were unsure about the transition of starting school and helped answer their questions. Thank you to those of you who attended, your feedback was really positive.

Some of the Farmers children have been to visit their new schools and their teachers have been into the nursery. We'll be having a party on 4th July for all our leavers.

The children have been exploring the natural environment by going on Forest School trips with the local college. They learnt new skills and used different senses while exploring the woodland area. They helped make bird feeders, fairy houses, wands and even made a scarecrow. They cooked marshmallows on an open fire (under strict supervision of course!) These activities were linked to stories such as 'The Scarecrow's Wedding' & 'Room on the Broom'.

The children have been busy growing vegetables and strawberries from seeds and helped Tracy the cook with lunch by using mint in her recipes. They are keeping an eye on their plants by watering them and watching them grow in the outdoor area.

Our Contact Details are as follows:- Direct Line - 0161 705 2233 or E: [ffn5@fisherfieldchildcare.co.uk](mailto:ffn5@fisherfieldchildcare.co.uk)

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

**All rooms**—Children in all rooms are looking forward to special days in July & August, here are a few examples:

**No shoes or socks day**-For your child to explore the environment with their bare feet both indoors and out. This will be an amazing sensory experience!

**No chairs or tables play sessions** -Activities will be planned using different resources and the floor space.

This will develop their physical skills and support them for literacy skills in later life. **Party days**—Fun & exciting party days for the Little Lambs who will be moving into the Ducklings room, with cake decorating, games and decorating party hats with paint and glitter ready for a party tea.

**Penalty!!** - Thank you to those who took part in our 'Stay & Play' Father's Day penalty shoot-out. The children really enjoyed taking penalties, and parent's/carers played with their child and experienced their daily routine.



**Summer time!** - The weather is now becoming warmer so please provide a sunhat for your child and bring 'new sun cream' as most have a 12 month expiration date.

**NSPCC Update**— **A BIG THANK YOU to all parents & carers from Bury College, you have raised a whopping £593 in the last 12 months** for NSPCC which is AMAZING! Thank you for your ongoing support, it is very much appreciated. Total raised was £8,052 this year.

**Company News**—We are delighted to announce that our newest setting, The School House in Middleton has just been awarded 'Outstanding' by Ofsted. Many congratulations to Sabrina & her team for all the hard work they've put in over the last two years.

**Photobooks**—This is an exciting new offering from iConnect which allows you to create lovely gifts of photo-books by using photos we send you via ParentZone. Please ask staff if you would like more info.

**Carnival Time**—Bury College staff joined in the Norden Carnival which raises money for local charities, and WON the best dressed float competition! Thank you to everyone who supported the event.



### Dates for the Diary

#### iConnect

**Thank You** to those of you who have sent in pictures on iConnect.

Please continue to send photos in of different events. If you need any help please ask.

#### RUNNING WILD for a Private Party



If you're interested in a Private Party @ Running Wild go to

[www.runningwildparties.co.uk](http://www.runningwildparties.co.uk)

or call Paula on 0161 653 1996

**Wed 4 July**

School Leavers Party (theme tbc)

**Thurs 5 July**

Farmers Sports Day—bring your PE Kit! - Parents/Carers Welcome, see book a ticket with your keyworker.

**w/c 16 July**

Leavers Week—Party Time!

**Fri 13 July**

Last Day of Term for Grant Children

**Mon 2 July**

No Shoes or Socks Day—more dates tbc

**Dates tbc**

No Chairs or Tables Play Session

**Mon 27 Aug**

Summer Bank Holiday—We are closed



*Bye For Now,  
Sherryl & Team*

