## Monkey Puzzle Sidcup

Message from the Owners:

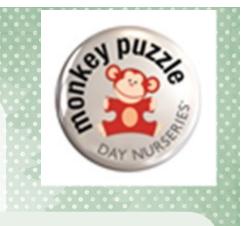
Thank you to all our families for their continued support and we welcome new children and their families who are beginning their journey with us.

Please ensure you are wearing a face mask at drop off and pick up, we appreciate your patience and continued support during this tough period.

We would like to welcome our new chef Christine and some other new staff members; Jess in our baby room and Ningy in our Pre-school room, welcome to our Team :)

Just to let you all know, the newsletters will no longer be for two months, it will now be sent out monthly.

Sharon & Davinder



Absence:

To report your child's absence please use the Eylog app.

Finances:

Can we please ask that if you are emailing us about any payments, invoices, extra sessions and holidays please message

admin@monkeypuzzlesidcup.co.uk

### Late Fees:

Please note we will now be adding a late payment fee of £5 for any overdue invoices

### Funding:

For childcare choices you can visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to find out if you're eligible for 15 or 30 hour funding. Information about the new tax free childcare scheme is also available here.

## Little Einstein -

For the past two months our theme has been 'all about me' we have been doing activities focused on the children's interest and have been exploring their senses through a range of sensory activities, lots of water play, sand play and shaving foam and many more.

They have enjoyed looking at pictures from home and having pictures of their families at work.

They have had a focus song which has been 'head, shoulders, knees and toes' and the children have enjoyed dancing along.





## **Big Einstein;**

In big Einstein we have been looking at the theme of 'people who help us and transport' the children have enjoyed exploring all areas in the room and exploring different types of transport and how they move, the children enjoyed the car painting activities and have explored the vehicles in our messy tray activities too.

Our outings have started again and the children have enjoyed the walks around the block, seeing the trains at the station and walks to the park. The parents sent in photos of them at work and the babies have enjoyed looking at their mums and dads and spoke about what they do.

### Darwin -

For the last two months in Darwin our theme has been people who help us and transport, we have been doing different activities based on the theme and the children enjoyed their visit from the police officer, he let them try on his hats and had their finger print taken using the ink pad, the children enjoyed this interactive experience and were happy to get involved. The toddlers have enjoyed dough disco activities as we looked at working on our fine motor movements and playing alongside peers.

Whilst making valentines day cards, the children were telling us why they love their mummies and daddies.

In Darwin we are really focusing on their independence and encouraging them to try things on their own before asking for help.





## Faraday -

For the last two months in Faraday our theme people who help us and transport. We had a very special visit from a police officer and he came and spoke to the children about his job and what he does to help people and the children had the opportunity to try on some police hats and had their finger print taken using the ink pad.

We celebrated Chinese new year and the children enjoyed making their own lanterns and decorating them with different materials.

We have been working on dough disco and using our fine motor skills and doing this alongside our peers.

The children enjoyed the well-being week and they were able to make their own smoothies and enjoyed some well deserved pamper time.



# **Creative World Club**



We now run a weekly club for children in Faraday on a Monday and Darwin on a Tuesday. Each week children learn about a country, some simple key phrases in the language and take part in a fun activity . After 6 weeks another group of children will be selected to take part and days will also change to cater for children on different days.









### **Checklist for nursery:**

- All clothes should be labelled This includes any spare clothes and clothes that the children are wearing
- Weather appropriate shoes and/or welly boots
- A jacket
- Hat, Gloves for colder weathers Labelled
- A bag that can stay at nursery with enough clothes to last the week.

### We would like to thank all parents for their patience whilst we were getting ready to have parents back in the nursery.

It has been lovely to have parents back into the building again.

### Key dates and celebrations

<u>March 2022</u>

1st march—Pancake day and St David's day 3rd march—World book day and grandparents coming in 3rd march—World wildlife day 17th march—St Patrick's day 18th march—Red nose day

### <u>April 2022</u>

15th April—Good Friday 17th April—Easter day 18th April—Easter Monday 23rd April—St George's day Our topic for March and April For all rooms is Animals

# Staffing structure at Monkey Puzzle Sidcup Sharon and Davinder- (Owners/Named Manager)



Teigan– 3rd in Charge



Awaiting photo for Bibi

Little Einstein: Bibi and Chelsea



Big Einstein: Katie, Amanda, Leigha, Grace, Jessica







### Darwin

Madeleine, Simran, Selina, Shannon, Teigan, Halima













Faraday

Chanda, Rebecca, Rachel, Fahima, Ningy







Awaiting photo for Fahima and Ningy

Support staff: Carolina, Keili



