

Monkey Puzzle Tatsfield News



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Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back to everyone. We hope you all have a wonderful 2016.

Staff

I would like to introduce you to our new Nursery Practitioner (Level 3), **Amanda Chambers**. Amanda is an experienced practitioner who has previously worked in a nursery setting and also as a live-in nanny. She is also a qualified First-aider.



Curriculum

We are currently focusing on two topics in the nursery.

In **Sparrows**, the children are looking at 'The Weather'. They have been fortunate enough to experience many different weather types so far this year, from snow (a little), ice (a lot!), rain, wind and even some sunshine. We are waiting for the first opportunity to observe a rainbow! Inside, the children have been learning about colours through their rainbow collage and enjoying lots of sensory activities to create a beautiful collage.

Robins have also chosen to focus on an outside topic. They are looking at 'Birds'. In particular they are getting to know about all the different species of birds that feed in our garden. So far they have sorted sparrows, robins, starlings, wagtails, blackbirds and chaffinches and our resident pheasant, who has been named Prince! The children will be making seed balls to hang in their own gardens to encourage the birds.

Look out for photos of the children taking part in topic work on our Facebook page.



Birthdays

Happy Birthday to....

ELIZA	6 January
LAUREN (Staff)	14 January
TED	31 January
AMANDA (Staff)	12 February
CHELSEE (Staff)	23 February
JUDE	25 February
MEGAN (Staff)	25 February



Wishing you all a very happy birthday!

Open Day

Our OPEN DAY is this Saturday 30 January 2016. Please tell any friends who may be looking for a nursery place for their child to either call and make an appointment to discuss their requirements or just come along on the day.

Referral Campaign

From 30 January 2016, any parent referring a new family to Monkey Puzzle Tatsfield, which results in an enrolment, will receive a **£75.00 discount** on their next month's fees. So, make ensure your friends mention your name.



Slippers

If possible, please could you provide a pair of slippers for your child to wear in nursery. Ideally they should have a fastening that the children can learn to do for themselves, e.g. Velcro. This is primarily to encourage their independence and also to help prevent accidents from slippery wet floors.



**WOODLAND
TRUST**

Tree Planting

In conjunction with the Woodland Trust, we will be receiving a delivery of 30 saplings for planting. The planting will take place during the week of the 14 – 18 March 2016, during which time the children will learn about the different tree species, how to plant them and their care thereafter. Any willing volunteers to help with the planting that week will be much appreciated. More details to follow.



Monkey Puzzle Tatsfield Website

www.monkeypuzzletatsfield.co.uk

We are all excited as our website is being upgraded. If you have any suggestions of items you would like to see appear there, please put them in our suggestion box by the front door. We'll all be watching this space eagerly.



Facebook Page

Please make sure you visit (and Like!) the Monkey Puzzle Tatsfield Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Monkey-Puzzle-Day-Nursery-Tatsfield/1402126603425204>

or Search : **Monkey Puzzle Day Nursery Tatsfield.**

We will be regularly updating it with photos, links and information.



Reminders

- Please ensure your child has at least one change of clothes in his / her bag each day. Despite the weather we are still using the garden as much as possible, so appropriate clothing is essential. A waterproof all-in-one is a great idea for all over protection!
- If your child is sick, please ensure that you keep him or her at home for **at least 48 hours** after the last instance of diarrhoea or vomiting, in line with our sickness policy.

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