

Newsletter Friday 28th June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Of course, with the Euros taking place and lots of the children interested in football, we just had to have a week inspired by football. The children have enjoyed lots of activities such as rolling balls in paint, throwing balls into a bucket and recording how many balls ended up in the bucket, small world football, mark making in green sand with a footballer to follow different patterns and scooping balls out of water and putting down funnels and half pipes. There have been lots of creative football team strips and footballs designed. The children wrote their own tickets for the football match and even designed their own mascot. The children explored the different country flags by matching and looking at patterns and colours, then they designed and coloured their own flags.

Outside we have observed some wonderful creative water play, with children exploring how water moves, through play learning about capacity, carefully pouring from one jug to another and investigating different designs for the water play. We have provided a variety of resources for the children to self-select, from big jugs with big handles, to smaller jugs with small handles, cups to colanders and funnels to pipettes. In order to learn, children need to be provided with a safe environment to take risks and learn from it. Sending a whole jug of water down a half pipe without a bucket at the end will result in losing the water..... *What can we do to save the water?* We then observed as children chose a container, and soon realised they needed a bigger one and a quick-thinking Noah realised you needed a jug under the table to catch the drips! What a wonderful example of learning through play! Lots of maths, communication, problem solving, engagement and risk taking.

On Thursday afternoon [Jez Weeks](#) led 2 football sessions with some very excited children. He brought with him 2 footballs from the last Euros, even the ball that was used in the actual Euros Final with England V Italy. Jez was joined by Dino and Score the dinosaurs who helped the children to move fast and slow in between the cones. The children learnt to dribble and score some absolutely cracking goals!!

During the hottest day of the year, the children posed and smiled beautifully for the photographer. I had a sneak peak of the photos on Richard's camera and I can't wait for you to see them! Richard is hoping he can turn them around by the end of next week. Not only has he got to edit and combine the individual galleries, but he's got to create 54 separate log ins and passwords!

Next week's theme is "Travelling on Holiday"



Important Dates

Summer 2

Monday 3rd June – Friday 19th July

Thursday 18th July – End of year party

Friday 19th July – 11:45 School Leaver Presentation

Friday 19th July close at 12:15pm

Autumn 2024

Thursday 5th September – Term Starts

Parent and Child Review

Please complete and bring back your Parent and child reviews. They can be emailed back or handed in. We also have some spares at the front door.