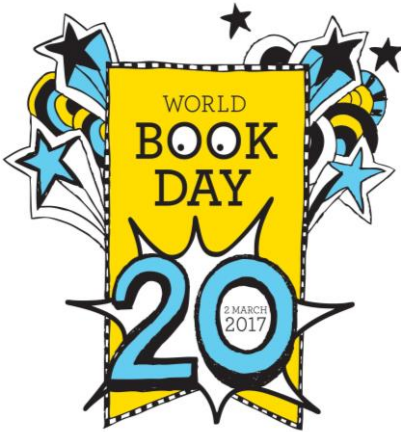


Butterfly Lodge Newsletter

February 2017



World book day.



On Thursday 2nd March Butterfly Lodge will be partaking in world book day and dressing up as our favourite story character. Throughout the upcoming weeks each room will be looking through different story books and choosing which stories the children enjoy the most. Our activities will be based around the stories of our choice so please over the next few weeks could all parents help us by discussing with your child which is their favourite story and share this information with your child's key worker.

Shrove Tuesday

Shrove Tuesday is the day that precedes Ash Wednesday. As it is determined by Easter, for which the actual date changes on an annual basis. This year Pancake Day takes place on Tuesday 28th February. The children will be learning about the history of Shrove Tuesday and why we celebrate by making and eating pancakes. We will also be linking into this topic about different foods and ingredients for the children to explore helping to create a wider range of experiences with food.

Smile for life



On Wednesday 25th January all the staff at Butterfly Lodge took part in the smile for life training led by Helen Kellett a dental health professional for Lancashire. **Smile4Life** is a huge programme which is all about reducing the high levels of tooth decay that children have in Lancashire. It's also about laying

solid foundations for good oral health throughout life. Emma Falkingham is our smile for life champion, Emma is based in lower pre-school however will be working across the nursery with each room supporting staff, children and parents with promoting healthy lifestyles and ensuring good oral hygiene is being practised throughout the nursery. Keep a look out for different displays that will be going up around the nursery that will be providing everyone with great information about different facts and support that is located around Blackpool.

New Car Seat Law

By 1 March 2017 new rules are being introduced across Europe that will change how backless booster seats (booster cushions) are made. The new rules mean that manufacturers aren't allowed to introduce new models of backless booster seats for children shorter than 125cm or weighing less than 22kg.

Existing seats not affected by new rules

The change doesn't affect existing models of seats or cushions and doesn't mean that they are unsafe or illegal - though parents are still being encouraged to make sure they know the rules for using child car seats. The change to the technical standards means that the range of products available on the market are better suited for younger children. For more information regarding car seat law please visit <https://www.gov.uk/child-car-seats-the-rules>.

Bubble Rush



On April 1st Butterfly Lodge staff will be taking part in the Brian House Bubble rush to help celebrate their 21st Birthday. To help us to fundraise we will be doing our own Bubble rush with the children on Friday 31st March. Bubble Rush is family-friendly 5k course with a difference... As you run, dance, walk or skip round the course you'll head through 4 coloured Bubble Stations! On

each Bubble Station there will be one of our high powered foam cannons blowing out heaps of frothy milkshake bubbles to ensure you get completely covered in coloured frothy foam! You will receive a free Bubble Rush sparkly white t-shirt for you to wear and by the end of the course you'll finish in an array of colour. Every participant will also receive a free Bubbler Medal. For more information or if you would like to take part in the Bubble rush on Saturday 1st April please visit <http://www.trinityhospice.co.uk/events/2017-bubble-rush/>

Reminder

Please can I remind all parents to ensure that their children have with them all outdoor clothing in their nursery bags. As the weather is so unpredictable here is a nursery checklist of all the items we will be needing.

- Winter and summer hat
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- Sun cream
- Gloves
- Wellies

Dates for Diary

14th February - Valentines days

28th February Shrove Tuesday

2nd March - World Book day

21st March - Parents Evening.

24th March - Comic Relief

26th March - Mother's Day