



# Nurture News

January 2018

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## A NOTE FROM NURTURE

Welcome back following the Christmas break.

Before the holidays we began a complete transformation in the garden, it has been completely re landscaped including a new bike track and AstroTurf. Over the coming weeks work will continue with a new mud kitchen, climbing frame and covered seating area. This will make it much more useable in all weathers so don't forget your wellies and waterproofs!!

### STAFFING:

We were saddened to say 'Goodbye' to Amy A , we wish her all the best with her future career.

Amy A will be replaced by Amanda who will be joining us from Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Amanda has a significant amount of experience in leading a pre-school and we are looking forward to the exciting ideas she will bring with her.

Following the 30 hours funding being implemented, pre-school has grown in numbers significantly therefore Paige has moved into pre-school from the 2-3 room. This has been a great support for the children who have recently transitioned into pre-school.

### TRAINING:

Congratulations to Chloe who has completed her NVQ Level 2.

This terms staff meetings will focus on cohort tracking and individual room plans.

In order to keep practice within Early Years at a high standard we work closely with local colleges & schools offering students the opportunity to experience first hand experience within an Early Years setting which is invaluable for personal and professional development.

These placements are usually short term for a week or 2 however on occasions these may be slightly longer.

Students are never left unattended or engage in personal care routines with the children.

### FEES:

An email was sent out regarding the new fees which come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 (paper copies were handed to parents whose email's are being returned). If you have not received a copy of this please let me know.

### CONTACT DETAILS:

We have been discovering recently that some of the contact details are outdated. We would appreciate it if parents could check their contact details online at parentzone and amend if needed, this will then come through to the office in order to ensure we are able to contact parents in the event of an emergency.

Thank you to everyone who has provided us with updated email addresses (we are still experiencing difficulties with yahoo accounts). We try and send all communications out electronically to ensure information doesn't get lost of forgotten however paper copies are available if preferred.

### 30 HOURS FUNDING:

This has had a great uptake from Parents since the government introduced it in September. I have included a copy of the funding letter for more information for parents who will be entitled to it over this coming year.

Please remember to revalidate your funding code every 3 months to ensure the code remains valid.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

I have attached a copy of this academic year's term dates. If your child attends term time only and your dates vary slightly to those attached could you please let me know.

### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March - World Book Day

Children are welcome to bring in and share their favourite stories with their friends, fancy dress welcome!

### W/c 19<sup>th</sup> March - Sports Relief

More details to follow.

### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Parents Evening 5.30pm - 7.00pm

Over 2's - Please speak to your child's Nurturer nearer the time to arrange an appointment.  
No appointment needed for Under 2's.

### 7<sup>th</sup> June - Nursery Photos

More details to follow nearer the time.



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## 2-3 Room

### Staff



**Sarah**  
Room Leader



**Nichola**  
Deputy Room Leader



**Heather**  
Deputy Room Leader



**Hannah**



**Angela**

**Annie**

**Welcome back to you all, we hope you had a relaxing break. The 2-3 room would like to formally welcome Annie to the team, Annie joined us in November. Annie has been a great addition to the 2-3 room and all the children love her!**

**We are also saddened to say 'goodbye' to Paige who has moved down to Pre-School, accompanying our 2-3 leavers and helping them grow further.**



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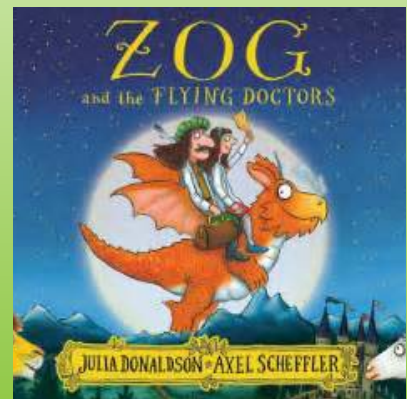
### Our focus book

#### Our Focus Book

This term our focus book is

**'Zog and the Flying Doctors.'**

**Meet the Flying Doctors: Princess Pearl, Sir Gadabout and, of course, their trusty 'air ambulance', Zog the dragon, as they fly around the country, tending to a sunburnt mermaid, a distressed unicorn, and even a sneezy lion!**



### What we have been doing in the 2-3 Room

**Last term we focused on Celebrations and Events.**

**The children thoroughly enjoyed creating their own clay Diya Lamps for Diwali, exploring pumpkin pulp and decorating their own pumpkins for Halloween and decorating their festive bags to transport their Christmas crafts home in.**

**The highlight of the Christmas activities was our celebrations, this included our yummy Christmas lunch, transforming into Elves 'delivering' packages to Santa's workshop during Footy Totz.**

**We were also very lucky to have a special visit from Father Christmas Who came with a little gift for all the children.**



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### What we have been doing in the 2-3 Room ...



### What we will be doing in the 2-3 Room

**Our focus for this term is  
'People who Help Us'**

**We will be exploring this through smaller topics such as:**

- Doctors and Nurses**
- Teachers and Nursery Nurses**
- Our Family & Friends**
- Police Officers & Fire Fighters**

**We are hoping to welcome people in to see the children.  
If any of our parents have jobs which fit in with this theme please speak to  
either Sarah or Rachel.**



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### Ideas for activities at home

- Practicing our phonics songs (s,a,t,p,i,n)
- Looking at numbers on our houses.
- Talking about jobs and what our family members do.
- Talking about what you see on walks within the local environment, such as shops, cafe's etc.
- Spot the emergency vehicle
- Role play - act out the role of doctor/dentist etc.

We are super excited to explore the new garden area however we are still expecting rain throughout this term. Could parents please send their Child in with wellies and waterproofs and spare clothes so we can explore the garden in all weather