



## *Summer Newsletter 2021*

Dear families,

A warm welcome to all our new children who have joined the Little Manor family! Summer is here and all the children have loved being in our garden and experiencing outdoor learning opportunities.

A Summers Day

...drawn by one of our pre-school children.



### WHAT'S COMING UP?

We are continuing to provide lots of outdoor experiences for the children and eating outdoors when we can. Being outdoors stimulates the senses and children take notice of sounds, light, movement, the weather and all the textures. So many learning opportunities!

Bunnies are following the children's interests and providing lots of messy play outdoors including cornflour, jelly and edible paint along with offering challenges to our toddling babies by providing obstacle courses which supports their physical development. We have also opened our large sandpit outdoors which all the children love to explore.

Hedgehogs and Woodpeckers are continuing with growing and planting outdoors and some children have shown a particular interest in how much they have grown and changed over time- learning about the world around them and maths!

The older children are looking at outdoor safety, exercise and hydrating their bodies along with focussing on school readiness, transitions, self- help skills and letter sounds/phonics.

Please keep your eye on our Facebook page for all the lovely things the children experience and of course the updates on Class Dojo.

Parents progress meetings are being held this term and as we are still unable to hold face to face meetings, we will be arranging telephone meetings with you. This will give you the opportunity to have a chat with your child's key person to discuss their progress and development and anything else you may wish to talk about. Key persons will be in touch soon to arrange convenient times.

### **ROOM UPDATES**

All rooms would like to ask parents to bring in some sun cream (if you haven't already) to keep at nursery along with a sunhat to keep them safe in the sunnier weather we may have.

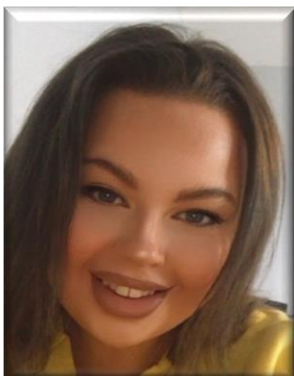
Bunnies are also sending a reminder for babies to bring in splash suits / waterproof trousers and wellies so they can enjoy the messy activities and water play outdoors.

### **Meet the Team in Bunnies**

As we welcome new children to nursery life, we are also welcoming new members of the team to Bunnies. They have lots of experience in early years and in particular under 2's and most importantly love working with children!

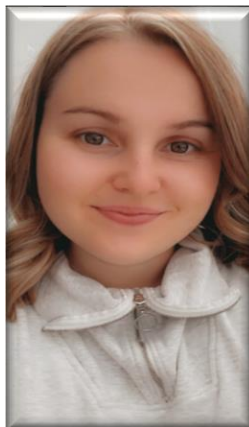
Our Bunnies Team-

Emily



Level 3 Qualified  
Key person

Marie



Level 3 Qualified  
Key Person

Nicola C



Level 3 Qualified  
Key Person

Nicola S who is our Apprentice Nursery Practitioner also works in the Bunnies room and our Baby Room Leader Chloe joins us in a few weeks!

In Woodpeckers we are seeing some of our older children leaving us and moving on to their next exciting journey - "Big School!"

We will all miss them so much and to celebrate this exciting time we are holding a Graduation week which will be a fun filled week of creativity, games, food and friendship.

**DATES FOR THE DIARY.**

Graduation Week - Wk. Bg. 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

## Graduation Week-



*Monday 9<sup>th</sup> - Graduation Cake making and Banner.*

*Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> - Little Manor Mini Olympics.*

*Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> - Pyjama Day, films and stories.*

*Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> - Fancy Dress Day.*

*Friday 13<sup>th</sup> - Party Day! Party clothes, tea party with fredericks ice cream! and family graduation photos.*



Just a reminder we are closed for all Bank Holidays.

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2021 - August Bank Holiday, nursery will be closed.

## **Important Updates from Management**

### **PARENT ADMIN**

Are you using your Parent Admin Portal?

Did you know you can notify us of your child's absence for a holiday or sickness via parent admin, which you can also download as an app to your phone.

Parent Admin is also useful to check the following:

- Child's booking pattern
- Fees and Account history
- Invoice records
- Notification record



Simply visit <https://uk.parentadmin.com/login.php> to login.

If you need any assistance accessing your Parent Admin account, please get in touch and we can help you with this

### **TAX FREE CHILDCARE**



Have you checked if you can receive support with your childcare fees?

HM Government

Childcare Choices

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### TAX-FREE CHILDCARE

Age 0-11 or 16 if disabled

- For **working families**, including the self-employed, **in the UK**
- Earning **under £100k** and **at least £139** per week (equal to 16 hours at the National Minimum or Living Wage) each
- Who **aren't** receiving Tax Credits, Universal Credit or childcare vouchers
- With children aged 0-11 (or 0-16 if disabled)
- For every £8 you pay into an online account, the government will add an extra £2, **up to £2,000 per child per year**
- If your working pattern and/or income has changed because of coronavirus (COVID-19); before you apply or reconfirm, please read [how the changes](#) may affect your eligibility

GET UP TO £2000 PER CHILD

Visit <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/> to find out how you could receive up to £2000 support.

## RECOMMENDATIONS AND REVIEWS

Many thanks to all our families that have recommended us already both in person and on social media such as Facebook and [daynurseries.co.uk](http://daynurseries.co.uk). Much appreciated!

Did you know you can also recommend us on Google!

### Leaving a Google Review with these 3 easy steps!

#### **Step 1.** Download Google Maps



If you got an android phone you'll notice that its automatically equipped with Google Maps. If you have an Apple phone you can go to the app store and download it for free!

#### **Step 2.** Search for Little Manor Day Nursery

With Google Maps open, type Little Manor Day Nursery into the search bar.

#### **Step 3.** Write a review.

Once you have found the nursery, scroll down past the map until you find starred reviews. This is the review section. You should see five grey stars; that is where you can contribute your own star rating. It's as simple as that!

Selecting 5 stars and leaving a lovely comment would be very much appreciated!

Thanks for your continued support

Karen Lane- Nursery Manager

