## Correspondent article June 2024

As we swiftly approach the final phase of our curriculum, the journey to primary school for many of our students is well underway. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the parents who joined us for our recent parents' evening, where we shared invaluable insights on how to best support our little ones as they transition into the next phase of their education.

Being situated within the primary school setting offers our children a unique advantage. They are already becoming familiar with the sights and sounds of daily life in primary school. Through our weekly "Wheelie Wednesday" sessions, they have had the opportunity to acquaint themselves with Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Proctor, who will be their teaching assistant and teacher respectively. Additionally, we are facilitating extra transition time by integrating visits to Oak class and utilizing our outdoor areas.

To further aid in their preparation, we have set up a dressing-up area where children can try on school uniforms, allowing them to feel more at ease with the idea of starting school. Each child has also been provided with a booklet containing essential information about their new school journey, complete with photos of Oak class to help them familiarize themselves with their new surroundings.

As we continue to navigate this exciting transition period, we are dedicated to ensuring that each child feels supported, informed, and ready to embrace the wonderful adventures that lie ahead in primary school.

The children have been awarded a clean teeth award and presented with am Oral health certificates along with a 2 minuet sand timer to be used at home when cleaning teeth. The children felt so proud. You can tell from their faces.

Congratulations to Katie on completing her level three in Special Educational needs coordinator in early years, Katie has done this in her own time, alongside running a busy household and working full time, we are so proud of her, well done from all of us Staff and the committee.

In the exciting world of our May activities, our attention has been captivated by a delightful array of stories and adventures. We've enjoyed our explorations of "Oliver's Vegetables," "Handa's Surprise," "Jack and the Beanstalk," "Monkey Puzzle," and "The Growing Story."

Our thematic journey into growth has been nothing short of fascinating. We've explored the realms of plant, animal, and human development, all while emphasizing the importance of healthy eating. From engaging discussions about fruits and vegetables to hands-on experiences like taste testing and seed planting, every moment has been a learning opportunity.

Imagination knows no bounds in our classroom! From magic beans to a game of Sleeping Giants, we've taken part in whimsical escapades that challenge our minds and foster creativity. Painting leaves for beanstalks and crafting sparkly magical beans have ignited our artistic abilities.

In the spirit of friendly competition, we've played board games like Fruit Frenzy, honing our skills in turntaking and visual discrimination. Meanwhile, "Monkey Puzzle" has sharpened our ability to recognize animal characteristics, fostering vocabulary growth and critical thinking. Our learning journey doesn't stop there! We've explored phonics, blending sounds, and segmenting words. For our older learners, mastering the first sounds of their names and diving into reading and writing their names has been a rewarding challenge.

Outdoors, we've embraced the joys of sunshine and fresh air, immersing ourselves in sensory-rich activities with foam, bubbles, sand, and more. Our garden area has become a sanctuary for growth as we plant seeds and discover the wonders of nature. We are looking forward to carrots, sweet peas, mesembryanthemums, nasturtiums, basil, and mint.

Health and well-being are at the forefront of our curriculum. Through discussions on healthy eating and dental care, we're instilling lifelong habits of self-care and vitality.

In our imaginative play, we've transformed into chefs and shoppers, crafting delectable treats and fulfilling grocery lists with enthusiasm. And what better way to quench our thirst than with homemade lemonade, enjoyed alongside a brave sampling of fruits and vegetables? Our parents and carers were proud of (and surprised by) what the children were willing to try!

The wonders of nature continued to unfold as we welcomed new life with the hatching of our stick insect eggs. Witnessing the tiny newcomers alongside their adult counterparts is a lesson in the beauty of growth and change.

As we prepared for Sports Day on May 21st, our PE sessions were filled with excitement. From learning games with rules to mastering athletic skills, every activity a step towards teamwork and physical wellbeing. And with a mindful approach to warm-ups and cool-downs, we're empowering our children to listen to their bodies and embrace the joys of movement.

With music and movement activities from Sticky Kids guiding our younger learners, every day is filled with laughter, learning, and boundless exploration. As May unfolds, we can't wait to embark on even more adventures together!

We are now taking applications for September 2024, we accept applications for all funding, including the new two year funding subject to meeting the criteria. We are happy for you to call in or make an appointment to look round, email Jayne on info@thecabinpreschool.co.uk or call 01491 682854.