



Horn End News

What does your child learn when they explore and investigate?

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Birth to Three

Making a leaf mobile will help babies make connections through their senses and learn about their environment

A sensory bottle filled with coloured stones ,glitter or coloured sand and or water will encourage your baby to become playfully engaged and involved.

Making scented voile pouches, using herbs, perfume and natural objects, for your baby to smell and explore will not only help them develop their senses but also learn to categorise compare and classify.

3-5years

Young children are scientists at play.

Your most important role is to encourage rather than direct.

Giving a child a magnifying glass will encourage them to look closely at things .

Giving your child a mirror could lead them to playing with the light and learning about reflections, symmetry and refraction.

Allowing your child to bake mud pies or building their own wormery is an early start to science experiments!!

'Seize the moment' when opportunities occur, for example during heavy rain allow your child to go out and splash in puddles and feel the rain on their skin.



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Special points of interest

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Improving Our Outdoor Play Area

To provide more opportunities for outdoor activities we have erected a heavy duty marquee. This will give shelter from the hot sun or from the rain if needed .It will also create another area for activities such as role play and storytelling .

We have also put up a large outdoor mirror and lots of mobiles and wind chimes. One of our parents has also kindly donated some camouflage netting which is greatly stimulating outdoor play.

To encourage your child's physical play we also have a new set of balls, bean bags and other rolling and catching equipment.

Stay and Play

It was lovely to see so many parents taking the opportunity to stay and play .We plan to have a stay and play day every month .Our next stay and play will be **Thursday July 19th 2007** from 8.00-9.00 am If the dates or times are not convenient to you don't worry parents are welcome anytime. Just give me a call. **Emma**



Activities and Special Days

Here are just a few of the things your child may have done or be taking part in in the near future

Babies and Tommy's are planning a pyjama dress up day on 21/06/2007. All the money raised on the day will be donated to the Donna Louise Trust.

Both Toby and Tommy's have enjoyed a session with Zoo lab .This was to support the theme fur, feathers and feet.



MANAGERS MEMO

Every month I plan to email you details of any spare sessions that I have in nursery. This will enable you to book extra sessions on a weekly basis. This has proved to be very helpful to parents who just need a casual system for odd sessions but who do not necessarily want to be tied to a session on a permanent basis .

I will also email a long term forecast of available sessions. This is designed to help parents who need to book or change sessions on a permanent basis. Because of the demand for sessions at Horn End I always like to give existing parents first refusal of sessions .Please can I remind you all to inform me of any change of email address or if you are not receiving the emails that I have mentioned above .I have displayed recently sent emails on the notice board in the entrance hall for you to check or if you do not have an email account.

I hope the above helps **Emma**

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