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# Horn End News

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## That's another fine mess you got me into!!!

At Horn End we encourage "messy play" and incorporate it into our weekly planning with all of our age groups.

During messy play children are being creative when they use materials in new ways, combining previously unconnected materials and making discoveries that are new to them. Children are using all their senses in the process of exploration, especially sense of touch .

Offering children plenty of opportunities to mould and manipulate materi- but not having a focus on making or producing something is important cause its lack of a focus on making or producing something leaves the child free to explore all sorts of possibilities. It taps into children's innate curiosity about the world around them and their strong desire to explore and find out more.

By giving children messy play opportunities, we give them the opportunity to explore materials fully. Messy play is also enjoyable; we have only to look at Caoimhe freely exploring the shaving foam to see her enjoyment .



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## Special points of in-terest

- ∅ Messy Play
- ∅ Activities and special days
- ∅ Stay and play
- ∅ Tesco vouchers
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## Stay and Play

It was lovely to see par-ents taking the opportu-nity to stay and play last month. We plan to have a stay and play day every month .Our next stay and play will be Tuesday 25th May 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**

## Managers memo

Now that the weather is getting warmer please can I ask that your child is provided with a sup-ply of sun cream and a sun hat that can be left at nursery for over the summer



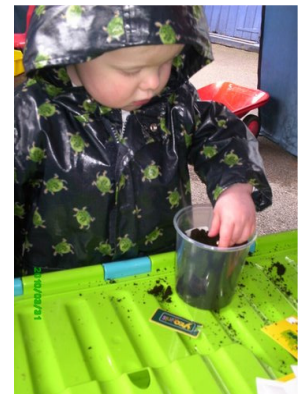
Oliver and Faye enjoyed the Welly Walk with Baby Smalls! Splashing in puddles in the tough spot was lots of fun and helped us to use movement and sensory ex-ploration to link up with the environment!

- Monday 17<sup>th</sup>** Baby Smalls will be fruit tasting
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>** Baby Smalls will be decorating biscuits
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>** The Baby Smalls will be enjoying the gloop in the tough spot!!
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>** Tommy Thumbs will be baking Rainbow cakes
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup>** The Tommy Thumbs will be visiting the florists
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>** The Tommy Thumbs will be planning some flowers!!
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>** children in Tommy Thumbs will be plating with the parachute using many different coloured items
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>** The Toby Talls will be making kites as part of learning about Chinese celebrations
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>** The children in Toby Talls will be visiting little straw-berries
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup>** All children will be celebrating May Day
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup>** Toby Talls will be baking a Birthday cake.
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>** The children in Toby Talls will be making a family Tree
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>** Fun and party games will be had in Toby Talls

## Tesco vouchers

Thank you for bringing in your Tesco vouchers .Please keep them coming!!! The more we get the more equipment we will be able to claim all totally free!!!!

Oliver developed his physical skills by using one handed tools when we planted seeds. We also learnt how to care for flowers and what they need to be able to grow.



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& Wharf Road, Rugeley.

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