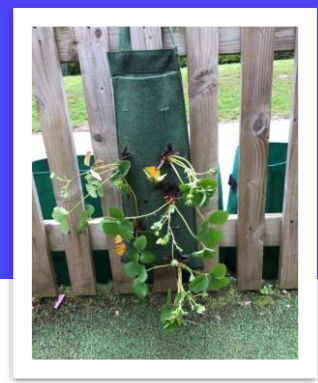


12TH MAY 2023



Chelford Village Preschool Newsletter

Welcome to our weekly newsletter! We hope to bring you lots of information each week about what we've been up to as well as what's happening in the term ahead.

We have been learning . . .

This week we have returned to our 'Growing and Sowing' Theme, and we have been planting strawberry plants with the children. We have continued the strawberry theme this week with strawberry crafts and cooking strawberry tarts.

This week we have also been encouraging the children to think about farmers and how the food they produce gets to our homes.

The children have really enjoyed our role play farm shop, with lots of opportunities for numbers and maths, as well as the tough tray garden inspired by our Key Story this half term, 'Oliver's Vegetables'

Our potato's that we planted in the first week back are now starting to grow, and this week the children have been really interested to see this growth and change. We have been covering the growing stalks with more compost, so that the potatoes have more room to grow. Fingers crossed for a crop of potatoes before we break up for the Summer Holidays!

Tomato Seed updates . . .

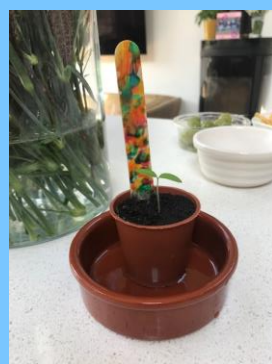
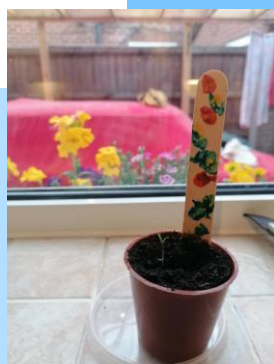
Thanks so much for the avalanche of pictures of your tomato seeds this week. They are amazing!! We now have a 'Best in Show' picture display in preschool, which we are adding to all the time. Please send your picture updates after the half term, so that we are able to compare the growth.

The week ahead . . .

Next Week will be our last focus week of planting and growing, and we will be finishing our topic by planting sunflowers.

So, if your tomato seedling hasn't sprouted, or was accidentally eaten by the dog, or lost in the car on the way home?! Don't worry as there will be another opportunity for green fingered glory and competitive growing!

Next week we will also be thinking about healthy eating, and the children will be tasting healthy fruits and vegetables and cooking healthy foods, while we sit back and wait for our plants to grow.



Freddie Jackson

Jordan Leach

Freddie Chaffer

Katherine!

Milo Lee

Events this term . . .

Parent Consultation Meetings – May 15th-19th 2023

Don't forget your appointment times, we are really looking forward to welcoming you to preschool next week and sharing your child's progress.

Don't forget that the new School Lunch Menu starts on Monday May 15th. I will update everyone on their current lunch account balance at some point in the next week, so please look out for the emails.

Egg Hatching Day – Friday May 19th (. . .ish)

Once the chicks are hatched, they will be in preschool for the last week of this half term. We'd like to welcome as many parents as possible to come and see our new arrivals, so we will be open from 9am for you to come and have a look with your children. Unless your child is booked to attend the early drop off, please do not leave your children with us until 9.15am.

Father's Day Big Breakfast!! Thursday 15th June.

As part of our Father's Day celebrations, we will be inviting all of our children and their dads to come to preschool for bacon and sausage sandwiches on Thursday morning, 15th June. **More details to follow!**

Preschool Sport's Day Thursday 22nd June 1.30pm

Our first provisional date for sports day will be Thursday 22nd June, weather permitting! We have planned our reserve date for the following Thursday 29th June.



Egg Hatching Updates . . .

At the end of this week our eggs will be 14 days into the incubation period. **Just one more week to go!**

By Friday of this week, our chick embryos are almost fully formed, with eyelids and claws and scales on their legs and feet, we have been talking to the children about their growth inside the egg each day. The chicks are more than half way through their time in the incubator, in this last week they will be growing their feathers and getting bigger and stronger before they hatch at the end of next week.

Superstar Awards!!

Well done to Freddie Chaffer this week. At Freddie's swimming lesson this week **Freddie jumped in 3 times!! With NO help!!**

This is a huge achievement for Freddie, we are really proud of you for being so brave.

Please let us know if your child has been a superstar at home, or had a significant achievement, so that we can celebrate their success!!

