



# Nursery Life

## April 2024



Three Gables  
Day Nursery & Pre-School

### What we've been up to this month...

April has been a wonderful growing month with our beautiful butterflies growing from caterpillars to chrysalis and then watching them transform into butterflies and being set free.

We have been busy tending to, watering and nurturing our garden, vegetables and plants and explored St George's day with flags learning about the world around us and International dance day with ribbon dancing, musical instruments and many genres of music.

### What's happening next month...

In May we will be exploring Story Time favourites including stories like 'The Gruffalo' and 'Going on a Bear Hunt' and celebrating World Bee Day.

### Activities we will do at nursery:

- Musical story marches.
- Recreating the bear hunt expedition
- Creating our own story props for well loved stories such as room on the broom, the Gruffalo and stick man
- Colour Monster straw painting
- Story sequencing matching what happens next
- Elmer colour scavenger hunt
- Hand print bees and explore pollination and the role of bees in our environments
- Three Little pigs' tuff tray with various materials to explore building
- Storytelling stones
- Recycled material Elmer elephants
- Sensory bottles to explore the bear hunt.





## May's Preschool focus:

Learning why safety is an important factor in handling tools and moving equipment and materials. Have clear and sensible rules for everybody to follow. Use Golden rules and ensure children are looking at movement and safety in garden and preschool room whilst exploring proficiency in all tools.

Support children with fastenings and changing skills, developing independence further in changing, dressing, and toileting skills.

## Some ideas to do at home:

- Book in for parent's evening 13th May to explore your child's development or access their checkpoint or transition document online.
- Build a love for stories by reading daily, your child's favourite or new stories.
- Encourage the book bag exchange with Nursery so your child changes their book regularly and explores stories.
- Visit the library to see a source of books, non-fiction and fiction.
- Visit the woods or beach and create stories whilst you are out and about exploring.
- Follow your child's interests and look at books that support such.
- Bring reading and stories alive with music, props, and accessories.
- Explore audiobooks
- [10 top tips for parents to support children to read](#)
- [Words for Life | National Literacy Trust](#)

We would love to see any photos of activities and experiences from home via the Interactive Learning Diary!

