



August has been a busy month here at Monkey Puzzle! Both of our rooms have been busy exploring lots of exciting new topics such as science and construction in the Octopus room and Summer, animals and colours in the Starfish room.

August is also the time of year when we say a fond farewell to our children who are going off to start their new journey at school. Our Graduation celebrations for these children this year were wonderful. They did so well in their play, "Monkey Puzzle", and they had a lovely party afterwards with party food, games and prizes.

The Graduation ceremony was lovely and we would like to thank the parents who came along to watch their child receive their certificate and gift, it was lovely to see you and the children really enjoyed it. We are very proud of everything our children have achieved here at Monkey Puzzle and we will be sad to see them go. However we wish them well on their wonderful new journey they are about to start at school.

On 26th September we will be supporting the world's largest coffee morning and raising money for Macmillan Cancer support by selling homemade cakes at nursery. These will be sold at both entrances, so please don't forget your pennies and support this very worthwhile charity.

Thank you



A very big welcome to Alyssia, Annabelle, Bella, Dontae, Evie and Layla to the nursery who join our existing Monkey Puzzle community! We would also like to wish a very happy birthday to Teddy, Bella, Alfie, Vinnie and Reuben this month.

Like us on Facebook for regular updates on the nursery chance to win in our monthly prize draw!



We are very proud to be rated
10/10 on

daynurseries.co.uk.

Thank you to all

parents/carers who have reviewed our
nursery!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

26th September—Macmillan Cancer support cake sale

28th September—Yom Kippur celebrations

Refer a friend

Refer a friend to the nursery and if they register you receive £100 off your next month's fees (T&Cs apply)





Employee of the Month

*** Georgia***

Georgia joined the nursery in June and has settled into the team really well. She works very hard to provide fun and challenging activities for the children as well as being a fun, friendly and approachable member of the team to parents, children and staff.

August Re-cap

The Children in Starfish have been very busy exploring some exciting topics throughout August. During the hot weather we based our activities around "Summer". We made ice creams out of playdough. The children explored a beach themed tuff tray that had water and sand and items that you would find on a day out to the beach. Our beach themed sensory bags gave the children an opportunity to explore the different textures they might find at the beach.

Animals was a great topic to explore. The children enjoyed doing animal printing, playing with animals in water and watching arctic animals emerge from the ice as it melted around them. Colour exploration has been a fantastic topic to explore! The Colour Monster book has played a big part in this topic, the children have enjoyed the book at story time, naming the colours and making the facial expressions of all the emotions that the colours relate to. We have had coloured water play, neon painting and lots more! We are looking forward to what September will bring!

Octopus room have had a fun filled August, one of our topics has been learning about shapes and numbers. The children used sensory trays to practice mark making, drawing different shapes and numbers using their fingers and various tools. They also went on a shape hunt around the garden to see what shapes they could find. Construction was an interesting topic filled with brilliant learning opportunities. The children really enjoyed junk modelling and they built a whole town out of boxes and cylinders of different sizes. We also had lots of builders role play in our construction areas inside and outside. Science and sensory exploration has been very interesting and the children have enjoyed seeing the effects of different materials changing, for example what happens to coloured ice when it melts. What happens to paint when you add shaving foam and what happens when various things are put in water, whether they sink or float!

Octopus have had a fantastic August and are looking forward to exploring our book of the month in September, "The Selfish Crocodile!"

Important Notes for Parents

- Please check your ParentZone updates regularly and emails from nursery.
- Please let us know when your child will be returning to nursery if you haven't already.
- Please check the new parent/carer area on the website which is updated regularly.
- Please ensure all your contact details and your child's emergency contacts are up to date.
- Please remember to complete your child's Covid 19 All About Me form and return to us.
- Please remember to provide hats and suncream for your child throughout the summer.

