

# Monkey Puzzle Greenford

## Newsletter Jan 2023



### Office

All the team at Monkey Puzzle Greenford would like to wish all our parents and children a Happy new year! We trust you all had a wonderful break over Christmas and are looking forward to a hugely successful 2023!

The nursery has so many exciting plans for 2023 which will be based on developing from a truly successful 2022! The parent partnership will be core to all that we do.

January was indeed a great month and it really did go by in a flash!! The nursery has been buzzing with all the activities that have been taking place during the month.

### Inset days

Our first inset day for 2023 took place on Tues Jan 3rd and was a huge success. Staff training and development is vital to the continuous improvement of our nursery and we would like to sincerely thank all our parents for their patience and understanding.

The remaining inset days for 2023 are:

- Tues 11th April 2023
- Tues 29th Aug 2023

### Learning Book



Learning book continues to be updated and rolled out across the nursery rooms and we would encourage parents to log into their child's learning.

You can log on using the following link:

<https://mylearningbook.co.uk/Logon?ReturnUrl=%2fBook>



## Chinese New Year & the Lunar New Year!

Lunar New Year is celebrated widely throughout East Asia and across the world and marks the beginning of spring and the start of a new lunar cycle. 2023 is the year of the rabbit! The children explored various activities based around Chinese food, clothes, using chop sticks & using books to help identify other items that link to this special celebration. Celebrating festivals gives us an insight into other cultures and an opportunity to learn and try new things that we may not ordinarily do.



## Burns Night!

The Scottish national holiday celebrates the life and work of Robert Burns, the famous poet who is known all over the world. Burns Night is often celebrated with a Burns supper which usually includes haggis, neeps and tatties. Haggis is like a big crumbly sausage, neeps are better known as swedes, and you might have guessed that tatties are potatoes! During the week we recited parts of Burns' poetry through play and activities.



## Winnie the Pooh

Celebrating one of our classic characters, Winnie the Pooh. There have always been some lovely quotes from Winnie the Pooh and his friends. Often we like to share some of them with our children - 'Promise me you'll always remember, you're braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think.' It is so lovely to hear children echo some of these words to their friends.

