

## Adventurers Newsletter February/March 2019

### WELCOME

The Adventurers have been busy before and after school. We have been out climbing trees, playing football, team working, den making, exploring and going to the park with our new outdoor learning programme after school. We have also had fun making our own pizza dough and creating our own pizzas to cook and eat.

#### Tree Climbing Fun!



The Adventurers have been getting busy on a morning too with some great crafts. They had a great time making some play dough and using their super imaginations modelling some great creations.

We are looking forward to more outdoor adventures over the next few weeks as the nights are now getting lighter.

Thanks, the Adventurers Team

### Mobile Phones and Tablets

Children are not allowed their own mobile phones or tablets in Jigsaws on a normal school day. This is due to safeguarding issues relating to photographs and viewing inappropriate content. If your child needs to take a phone with them to school, this should be handed in to a member of staff for safekeeping until school start time or collecting. If you need to speak to your child or they need to speak to you, please use the Jigsaws landline 01937 558951. Tablets and handheld games are permitted in holiday club but will be closely supervised. This is for the safety of your child and other children.



Pizza Making



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### Forest Schools and Outdoor Learning

Hi All

This week we have a very special visitor, a LAMB! We are fed it too! We have also been doing lots of work on people and communities whilst out and about in the local community.

The children are thoroughly enjoying the outdoor learning experience and developing in all the areas of the curriculum. We are also busy over the next couple of weeks with the half term Forest Schools and will have fun making bird feeders and lots of keepsakes.

Thanks Becki - Outdoor Learning Leader



### DIARY DATES

Closed Bank Holidays: 19<sup>th</sup> April 2019,  
22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019, 27<sup>th</sup> May  
2019 and 26<sup>th</sup> August

Half-Term Activities 25<sup>th</sup> Feb—1<sup>st</sup> March

Comic Relief 15<sup>th</sup> March

Closed Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April Training Day

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May Parents Evening

Child Safety Week 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> June

Big Toddle June TBC

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July Training Day Closed

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September new contracts start

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September OPEN EVENT time  
TBC

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October Parents Evening

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October Training Day Closed

Children in Need November

Close for Christmas 12 noon 24<sup>th</sup> December

Closed Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January Training Day

## **Jigsaws Session Start and Finish Time Reminder**

We have seen an increase in numbers of parents trying to drop off children before their session properly starts at Jigsaws on a morning. A reminder not to bring children in before 9am if that is their session start time. We have a duty of care to all of the children attending the setting and while staff are out taking children to school we do not have enough staff on the premises to look after children brought in before their session start time.

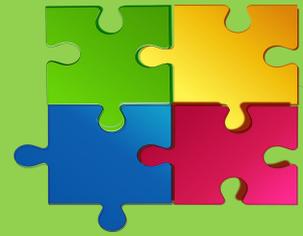
Also a reminder that children need to be collected from Jigsaws **before** you collect children from school as the afternoon session ends at 3pm.

Thank you.

## **Nut Allergies**

Just a reminder that we have children in the setting with allergies so please make sure any snacks or lunches that are sent in are nut free.

**The new Vegan Menu is available. Check the website for details** <https://www.jigsawschildcare.co.uk/home-made-meals/>



## **Meet the Adventurers team**



Rebecca Haines  
Deputy Manager  
Outdoor Learning Leader



Linda Ross  
Room Supervisor



Kay Scarce  
Practitioner



Sophie Gaddas  
Practitioner

**Amie Ross—Operations Manager**

**Nicole Newiss – Teaching & Learning Manager**

**Helen Smith – Business Manager**

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