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What are we up to for the rest of the half term....

Next week the children will make shape and colour houses. We will talk about different colours, size and shapes.

The following week we will go on nature walks and find objects to make clay portraits. The children will use their physical skills to manipulate the clay. We will take part in listening activities in the environment, listening to environmental sounds.

In our last week before half term the children will challenge their problem-solving skills by making puzzles of their faces. The children will take part in dancing activities and games. We will listen to the story 'giraffes can't dance'. We will vote on our role play for next half term.

We have had a lovely start to the academic year. Both returning and new children are settling well into preschool. We have been busy learning and playing.

Below are some of the displays in our playroom.

Our Friendship tree with all the children's and staff teams handprints



Family Tress and our Focus books for the half term



Name Writing Crafts



All About Me Crafts



Introducing our Staff Team

Each month we will introduce two of our staff members so, you can learn a little more about them.

This month it is Kelly and Anna.

Kelly



Roles and Responsibilities

Manager and Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

How long have you worked at our preschool?

Since September 2011.

Qualifications

Kelly has 1st Class BA Hons Degree in Children, Schools and Families.

Level 3 Early Years qualification.

Level 3 qualification in Leadership and Management.

What is your favourite thing about working in early years?

I really enjoy watching children grow and develop from their first day to their last. I love being active with the children playing football and ball games.

Each child's journey is different and unique to them. I love seeing friendships between peers develop and grow.

A little bit more about Kelly

I have four children - two sons, Harrison and Otto and two daughters, Tilly and Lottie.

I love being active and going to the gym and running, setting myself goals and challenges.

This year I completed a Keltx with Anna, ran Bude Lifeboat and Pirate run with two friends, I am running a half marathon with my husband at the end of the month.

I spend my weekends watching my children take part in their favourite things -

Gymnastics, Football and Rugby.

I absolutely love exploring the world with my family, visiting lots of different countries.

How would you like see our preschool grow and develop?

Develop and improve our outdoor space. I would like to have a sensory learning space and have a literacy and mark making area.

Anna



Role and Responsibilities

Deputy Manager and Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator (SENCO)

How long have you worked at our preschool?

Since September 2011.

Qualifications

NVQ level 3 in early years care and education CACHE level 3 special educational needs coordinator award for early years settings.

What is your favourite thing about working in early years?

I enjoy the role of supporting children and families to reach their full potential. I enjoy seeing how children grow and develop over their time at preschool. I enjoy watching the children's interactions and how their relationships with their peers develop. I love hearing the funny things children say. Every day is different it's never boring.

A little bit more about Anna

I have two grown up daughters; Holly and Sophie and a son, Ben. I enjoy running, swimming, cycling and taking part in different challenges/events such as Hyrox and Keltx events. When I'm not at preschool, I enjoy watching my son play football, walking and going to the gym.

How would you like to see our preschool grow and develop?

I work hard to ensure preschool is a fully inclusive setting for all but would like us to develop and extend this further with more staff training around special educational needs and disabilities. Outside, I would like to plant some fruit trees to grow our own snack.

Medicine/illness

It is essential that we are informed if your child has had medicine before attending preschool. If your child needs to have medicine while at preschool, you will be required to fill in a medicine form, the medicine will be checked by a staff member, and it needs to state clearly - the child's name, dose and date. Your child should not attend preschool for the first 24 hours on a new medication. Please do not send your child to preschool if they are unwell and need Calpol.

Headlice

We have had some reported cases of headlice. Please ensure you check your child's hair regularly and treat if required. Advice on the link below.

www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

Wipes and nappies/spare clothes

If your child needs nappies/wipes, please ensure these are brought into preschool. Can children also come with spare clothes. We often get wet and messy.

Lending Library News

Lots of children are ensuring our Lending library. We love talking to the children about the books they have read.

Individual photos

Jayne Poole Photography will be at preschool on Wednesday 4th November. If your child does not normally attend on a Wednesday but you would like them to have their photo taken, we can arrange this nearer the time.

School applications

If your child was born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, you will need to apply for a school place for September 2027. The deadline for applications is 15 January 2027.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/>

Stratton School Tours



Is your child starting school in
September 2027?



**COME
VISIT US!**



Reception tours for children starting school in September 2027



Tuesday 29th September at 9.30am

Tuesday 20th October at 1.30pm

Friday 13th November at 11.00am

Tuesday 17th November at 9.30am

Wednesday 25th November at 1.30pm

To book a place please email secretary@stratton.cornwall.sch.uk
or call us on 01288 353196

We look forward to welcoming you and your child!

Updates

Our website is currently being updated. You can still currently find us at strattonplaygroupbude.co.uk OR strattonlittlelearners.uk

We also have Facebook and Instagram - please find us as "Stratton Little Learners".

Monthly newsletters - these will be uploaded to Family each month.

At the end of each session a small description of the session will be written on the easel (outside - weather dependent).

Term dates

Half term (closed) - 26th - 30th October

Insert days (closed) - 2nd and 3rd November

Individual photos Wednesday 4th November

Last Day before Christmas Break - Thursday 17th December

Christmas Party - Friday 18th December AM (more details to follow)

Christmas Break (closed) - 21st December - 4th January

Reopen after Christmas - Tuesday 5th January

Half term (closed) - 15th - 19th February

Bag2School Collection - Friday 26th February

Easter Break (closed) - 26th March - 9th April

Reopen after Easter - Monday 12th April

Bank Holiday (closed) - Monday 3rd May

Insert day (closed) - Tuesday 4th May

Half term (closed) 31st May - 4th June

Last day before Summer Break - Tuesday 20th July

School Starters Party - Wednesday 21st July am (more details to follow)

Other dates throughout the year will come up such as celebrations and events days.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter.



Kelly



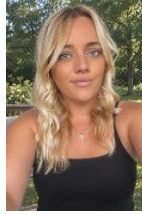
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