

# **Magic Dragon Preschool**

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Hello Everyone,

The children have had fun building up their friendships this week. It is great to see them engaging in role play and talking about their 'friends'. We have been busy painting outside, playing in the cafe, doing the animal boogie, testing our strength, using our gross motor skills on the obstacle courses, hiding and seeking for animals, arranging the animals in their families, experimenting with ramps for conkers and cars and making friendship necklaces. The children enjoyed saying hello to each other in a different European languages every morning. We said Bonjour (French), Helo (Dutch), Privet (Russian) and Ciao (Italian). We learnt that it is tricky to learn new words, but with practise you can have fun and get better.

Next week our theme will be Autumn. Blue group will be going out on a trip for a walk first thing on Monday morning to look for signs of Autumn in our local area. Please arrive promptly and with decent shoes for walking in. To help your child at home this week we would like to ask everyone to go out and look for signs of Autumn and fill up the bags we sent home this week.

Here are some photos from this week: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/magicdragonpreschoolbristol/">https://www.instagram.com/magicdragonpreschoolbristol/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/magicdragonpreschoolbristol/">https://www.facebook.com/magicdragonpreschoolbristol/</a>

Please do take a look and like/share/comment on our social media posts as this also helps to promote Magic Dragon in our local area.

Thank you to everyone who came to the Stay and play session. This is a great chance for you to see what we provide at preschool and how your child plays and learns at Magic Dragon. It was great to have some parents stay for the termly coffee morning too.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. From Niki and the Magic Dragon team

Makaton sign of the week

Outside

= Outside

## Play idea for the weekend:

The children enjoyed the home corner this week. Set up a pretend home corner in your own house and fill some saucepans with a bit of pasta and bring some teddies to play. You could dress up in aprons/scarves and just play in the kitchen.

Snack next week: Sandwiches, cereal, cheese and crackers and fruit & breadsticks

### Dates for the diary:

End of term 1 –Thursday 19/10/23 Tennis Coaching with Tom19/10/23 Committee meeting: This Monday at 9 am. Come along to hear what we do at preschool, offer your suggestions and help with fundraising. Everyone is welcome.

#### Groups and support

There is a leaflet on our parent noticeboard for the North Bristol Children's Centre which was also handed out today. This has a QR code on for you to use to find out about the groups and service they have on offer. Please do take some time to look at it as there are some great things available to you.

#### **School Admissions**

If your child is in blue group, you can apply for a school place by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. It is worth checking on your local school website to see when they are running open days so that you can go and visit. Don't worry, you have plenty of time to make your choice and we are here to help if you have any questions. We will also put more reminders in our newsletters to help you meet the deadline for your application in the next few months.

#### National Trust Free Visit

Are you looking for plans for the weekend? Why not get out in this lovely Autumnal sunshine and visit a National Trust place? Here is a link for a free visit

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/term s-and-conditions-for-the-autumn-freevisit-offer

#### Things to try to remember next week:

- Fill and return your Autumn bags
- Bring in a stone or two to paint for preschool.