

Elmscot Turns 18!

Extra-Curricular Activities

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Extra Value
Extra-ordinary



Back in 2001 - 18 years ago, when Elmscot Altrincham opened its doors to families across Trafford, we could never have imagined the journey and success that awaited us.

Alongside our six thriving Day Nurseries and Nursery Schools, we also extended out into the world of out-of-school- care with our seven Kids Collective Clubs based in several primary schools across Trafford.

We are immensely proud of the standard of care and service offered to our children and their families. Everything is always carried out with quality in mind. None of this would have been possible without the drive and determination of all our employees and their commitment to improving outcomes for children in order to give them the best start in life.

As there is only one way to celebrate this big birthday, all of our Elmscot employees and their families were invited to a party to celebrate our 18 years of service.

Enjoying a live saxophonist and DJ, staff sparkled with their glitter face paints and dressed up in props to capture the moment in our photo booth.



A great time was had by all, spending time with friends and colleagues while dancing the night away to mark such a memorable occasion.

Dee McKenzie, Director of Elmscot Group said: “I can’t believe it’s been 18 years since we opened our doors for the first time. So much has happened and so many amazing children have passed through our doors and I hope we have made even a small difference to their early years.

“We wouldn’t be where we are today without the fantastic team. Their dedication and hard work every day never ceases to amaze me and I thank each and every one of them. I would also like to thank all the parents past and present for putting your trust in us to nurture your little ones, they are what makes our job so worthwhile.”

Happy 18th Birthday Elmscot - here’s to many more!



Team Training

Nursery staff have attended the following training since June 2019:

- Allergy Awareness - Jean C, Becky P, Masey R
- Behaviour Management - Casey W, Beth H
- Curiosity and Loose Parts Play - Jacqui W, Shauna C
- Developing vocabulary in the early years - Marina F
- Encouraging positive behaviour - Emma K
- Enhance the environment to support communication - Lauren O
- Equality & diversity - Emma K
- FGM - Emma K
- Fire Safety Awareness - Charlotte J, Masey R
- First aid - Lucy T, Charlotte J, Aaron T, Jodie L, Laura H
- Food Safety and Hygiene - Charlotte J, Laura H, Amy C, Alison, Anne Marie B
- Health & safety - Emma K, Amy C, Charlie M, Masey R
- Introduction to supporting children with additional needs - Lauren O, Laura S, Natalie Mc
- Literacy, Language and Story Telling - Becky G, Bianca P, Lauren O
- Phase 1 Phonics - Amy C, Emma C
- Phase 2 Phonics - Jacqui W
- Prevent duty - Emma K, Alison C, Charlie M, Amy C, Casey W, Alison, Charlie M, Amy C, Casey W
- Safeguarding Online Training - Charlotte J, Amy C, Emma C, Charlie M, Beth H, Alison, Casey W, Masey R
- Self-Regulation - Lauren O
- Sign-along training - Kat B, Jennifer B, Melissa Mc
- Speech Sounds in Early Years - Lauren O
- Supporting Children with EAL - Stephanie G
- Understanding School Readiness - Amy C and Becky G
- Understanding the unique needs of babies - Jess B and Eleanor B
- Wellcomm screening training, food hygiene - Leann B



Autumn 2019

National Award Success for Elmscot Group

Since opening our first nursery in 2001, Elmscot Group and our teams have become finalists and achieved multiple awards and accreditations. These have been within a range of areas, including parent partnerships, advanced first aid and nutrition. This year is no exception, as we now have finalists in multiple categories within the Nursery World Awards 2019.

The Nursery World Awards are some of the most prestigious awards within the early years sector. Finalists and award winners are chosen by an expert panel of judges from a range of disciplines within the sector. The 2019 award ceremony

will be held on 28th September at the Brewery in London and all finalists have been invited to attend.



Finalists for the Nursery World Awards 2019 from top to bottom: Lauren, Danielle and Sofina

Our second finalist within this category is Lauren O’Brien from Elmscot Woodlands. She has extensive knowledge of best practice and draws on her experiences to create engaging learning opportunities.

Our third finalist is within the Nursery Manager of the Year category, achieved by Danielle Riley from Elmscot Woodlands. Her ambitious vision and passion for providing children with the best start in life mean Danielle is an exceptional leader.

Rachael Lyons, Group Operations Manager at Elmscot Group said: “We are so proud of each of our finalists. It’s such a tremendous achievement against extremely tough competition within the early years sector. To win would be truly deserved by each of them.”

Forthcoming Events

Roald Dahl Day - Friday 13th September
Children are invited to dress up as their favourite Roald Dahl character and take part in a variety of Roald Dahl themed activities.

National Play Dough Day - Monday 16th September
Children can make their own dough independently and there will be a selection of inviting play dough activities on offer.

Talk Like a Pirate Day - Thursday 19th September
Children will be sharing Pirate stories, design their own maps, take part in a treasure hunt around the garden, decorate their own eye patch and make their own boats and guess which will sink or float!

World Animal Day - Friday 4th October
We will be exploring all things animal, setting up exciting animal tuff trays and some children might go on a visit to the pet shop. To consolidate their learning, Chester will be visited on the 24th by Chester Zoo for a safari-themed morning.

Space Week - Monday 7th October to Friday 11th October
An array of space-themed activities will be on offer for the children both indoor and outdoor. We will be talking about the different planets and the first man on the moon.

Grandparents Day - Monday 7th October
We would like to invite our lovely grandparents to attend a tea party with the children. Please see individual settings for more details

Yom Kippur - Tuesday 8th October
We will be focussing on forgiveness and being kind to one another.

World Mental Health Day - Thursday 10th October
There will be a yoga session to support and encourage physical and emotional wellbeing. We will be taking part in the #HelloYellow fundraiser (see individual settings) and also reading books about wellbeing and feelings.

Sukkot Festival Week - Monday 14th October to Friday 18th October
Children will be building their own Sukkah dens and will acknowledge the fall of Harvest through fruit tasting and bread making activities. The children will listen and explore some traditional Hallel music and join in a session with musical instruments.

Diwali - Monday 28th October
Activities will involve making Diyas, exploring Rangoli patterns and acknowledging children’s personal family festivities.

Halloween - Thursday 31st October
A selection of activities involving pumpkins, spiders, witches and potions will be on offer for children to explore. Settings will also be visited by Zoolab who bring an array of creepy crawlies. See individual settings for details.

Bonfire Night - Tuesday 5th November
Children will be offered the opportunity to create some firework process art, and the older children will learn all about fire safety as they mark make with sparklers.

Anti-Bullying Week - Monday 11th November to Friday 15th November
We will be taking part in cooperative activities with the children, encouraging children to work together collaboratively, supporting a mutual respect and tolerance of others. We will discuss the importance of being kind to others and making friendship bracelets.

My Family Week - Monday 11th November to Friday 15th November
The children will be encouraged to share photographs of their family during circle time and we will invite family members into nursery to read stories and lead sessions of interest throughout the week.

Remembrance Day - Monday 11th November
On this day we will create remembrance poppies to take to the local memorial.

St Andrews Day - Friday 29th November
Children will be taking part in a Scottish festival in the garden, playing instruments to traditional Scottish music. We will explore patterns through tartan print process art activities.





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Elmscot Broussa

The nursery had a visit from the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association. We talked about their important job and people with disabilities. Parents and staff donated money to the charity as a thank you. We also had a visit from the Fire Brigade and the Police who talked to the children about fire safety, leaving a building safely, how to call 999 in an emergency and when we might need them.

Elmscot Chester

Here at Chester, we have become the first nursery in the region to receive the Food for Life award from the Soil Association which has made us feel very proud. We'll be having Baby Playgroup sessions every Monday throughout September & October (9am-11am) for prospective families and we also have an Open Day on Saturday 14th September 10.00am - 2.00pm for you to enjoy - Elmscot parents bring a friend! See our Facebook page for more details @ElmscotChester.

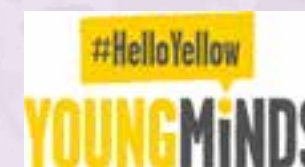
Elmscot Woodlands

In order to continue raising funds for our own onsite defibrillator, we are holding a family fun day at Woodlands on Saturday 14th September 2019. There will be raffles and tombolas, a bouncy castle, face painting and lots of other fun activities. There is a basket in the nursery reception and would greatly appreciate any donations of any bottles or unwanted gifts that we can use. We will also be using this as an opportunity to showcase our amazing nursery to prospective parents, so please spread the word and join us for a day of fun!

#HelloYellow

On 10th October, to promote World Mental Health Day, we are asking that the children join all the staff in wearing yellow and donating £2 to 'Young Minds'.

Young Minds are the UK's leading charity fighting for children and young people's mental health. They aim to foster innovation to meet the needs of vulnerable and excluded children and young people, promoting good mental health to more children and young people than ever before. Champion the voices of young people and parents to influence mental health policy and practice and inspire excellence to achieve transformed, integrated services.



The children in Squirrel room at Hale made a card for the Queen's 93rd birthday and received a letter back to say thank you!



The children from Beech at Elmscot Altrincham took a trip to the local pet shop and enjoyed seeing all the different animals.



There has been a lot of busy bug hunting going on over at Nantwich, using the magnifying glass to look at details



Lots of our parents came to watch Sports Day at Broussa. Stretch'n'Grow did a warm up and cool down for the children who enjoyed many different races and a sporting evening!



Chester had a visit from the local PCSO who very kindly brought his car for children to sit in, uniform to try, and explained to them all about his job.



Broussa children had a visit from some Guide Dogs and owners. They enjoyed hearing all about the work and training for the dogs.



On National Tiger Day, over at Chester the children were re-enacting The Tiger Who Came To Tea. We hope they didn't run out of food and drink!



Woodlands Otters have been exploring the effects of the heavy rain in the digging area. Glorious mud!



At Hale the children have been very busy making an amazing life-sized scarecrow for the allotment area. Let's hope it does the job!



Elmscot Woodlands children have been exploring loose parts to make different shapes. Here we have a large butterfly!



Nantwich children went to the local garden centre to plant a pot for 'Nantwich in Bloom' - and what a brilliant result!



Elmscot Altrincham children have been enjoying trying out lots of different musical instruments. The next Nicola Benedetti maybe?



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