

## Supervisor's report

**Curriculum-** The curriculum has been adjusted again this year with the main change being the balance between adult led and child led activities. There is now a new SEND curriculum and we have had reduced support from other agencies. There is an apparent reduction in the expectations in Literacy and Maths.

We continued with **explorer days** - learning through nature and making the most of the park and surrounding areas. The children still gain a lot through learning this way. We aim to be exploring 4 weeks each half term.

It is still part of the EYFS curriculum to involve the children in their community and to become better citizens. To this end we will do a litter pick and visit Richmond Village (already been leaf printing with them and booked in to perform our Nativity.)

The children are also making a poppy garden for remembrance Sunday and taking some poppies to the village memorial.

We still use **Wellcomm** (as recommended by Cheshire East and SALT) and have baselined all the children and set individual targets that they work on with their keyworkers.

**Parents as partners** - We feel very lucky to have such supportive parents and want to involve them in the learning that their child is doing at Pre-school. This year we are focusing on different roles people play in our lives. Last term we covered medical staff. We had a visit from a midwife and her baby. The children learned how to bath and look after a baby. We also had a nurse from SCBU who brought a doll that looked like a prem baby and she showed us how they are fed and talked about her job. This half term we are looking at creative roles- If anyone is an artist, musician, florist etc we would love you to come in and share your knowledge with us. We are also visiting a parent who is a chef after Christmas.

**Staff-** Because Willaston Pre-school is such a lovely place to work we have lots of staff that have been here for over 20 years! We now have 2 members of staff completing NVQ level 3 training with us and we all do regular training to keep us up to date. Caryl has recently finished training as a staff wellbeing leader and councillor, Jackie and I are completing Cheshire East update training (I've completed module 1 which was understanding child development and the new EYFS). It was more of a refresh but it did highlight what the balance between adult led and child led should be and what has come back round again.

I have been accepted onto the level 3 SENDco course but I'm yet to be given a start date. Caryl would also like to do the course but it is only available to one

member of staff as it's free. We are looking into the possibility of her training with a different company. Jackie has moved into leading the 2-year-old room and has developed activities and learning to fit with their abilities.

**Enrichment-** 2 days a week 3-4pm. We alter the days so that they are more accessible to everyone. Last term we did cookery and drama through stories. This half term we are doing cookery and festive fun.

**SEND-** We have a number of children with SEND again this year. I am very proud of how Willaston Pre-school is so inclusive. The staff work so hard with all the children so that they can meet their potential. We do have challenges to face with the changing of the ways SEND support and funding are delivered to us but I am confident that with our experience all the children will thrive.