

# April 2019 Newsletter

## Loose Parts

At the Wigwam we love to take elements of best practice from across the Early Years Sector. Our Turtles and Squirrels are currently experimenting with Loose Parts.

Now, lets face it, infants and toddlers are experts at tinkering and what better things to tinker with than Loose Parts. Loose parts are essentially any open-ended materials that can be used in a variety of ways. These resources have no pre-planned use and allow the children to play, explore and create in their own unique way. The really benefit of these resources is they can be whatever the children want them to be. They can be added to sand or what, they can be lined up, they can be cooked in the home corner. The possibilities really are endless.

Our loose parts resources are growing and we would be grateful for any items you could donate. These resources really can be anything from pine cones, curtain rings, costume jewellery, buttons, shells.

Follow this link to a great article about [Loose Parts](#) and be inspired.

## Living Eggs

For two weeks in the build up to Easter (8<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April) we have the pleasure of looking after some Chicks. [Living Eggs](#) deliver eggs to us and the children get to watch them hatch and look after them during their first few days of life! This is a great experience and always popular with the children (and staff!). The Chicks will be in the Deer but please feel free to pop down and visit them whilst they are here, and keep an eye on Facebook for live updates! To avoid overwhelming the Chicks we may decide to have Breakfast in the Squirrels during their stay, but we will keep you updated if we choose to do so.

## Easter Bonnets

The Annual Wigwam Easter Bonnet Parade is almost upon us. This is always one of the most popular events in the Wigwam calendar and one of the first opportunities in the year to all come together and (\*fingers crossed\*) get out in the sunshine to enjoy the Spring weather and a picnic tea.

For this event we love you to get involved and get creative at home by making an aster Bonnet. Follow these links for some ideas. Let your children lead the way and we will give out prizes for the best Child Led Easter Bonnet.

[Easter Bonnet](#)

[How to Make an Easter Bonnet](#)

## Day Nursery Reviews

Your feedback means a lot to us at The Wigwam and we rely on positive feedback from our customers. We would be grateful if you could take 5minutes out of your day to complete a Review for us on [DayNurseries.co.uk](#)

## Upcoming Events

### 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019:

Mother's Day Breakfast (Squirrels & Deer) 8am  
Mother's Day Tea (Turtles) 4pm

We would love for Mums and Grandmothers to join us on 1<sup>st</sup> April to celebrate Mother's Day. To mark the occasion the Squirrels & Deer are hosting a breakfast, whilst the Turtles invite you to join them for Tea. Speak to your key worker to find out more and confirm if you plan to attend.

### 8<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019: Living Eggs

### 12<sup>th</sup> April 2019: Easter Bonnet Parade

Join us to celebrate Easter at our Annual Easter event. We will take a look at everyone's bonnets, have an Easter Egg hunt and (Weather permitting) enjoy a picnic in the Nursery Garden.

### 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019: Easter (Nursery Closed)

### 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019- May Bank Holiday (Nursery Closed)