

Dear Parents, Carers and Acacia Nursery School Children,

As we draw to the end of a slightly different year at Acacia Nursery School, I would like to wish all those children leaving the nursery to attend their first year of primary school the absolute best of luck. It has been lovely welcoming so many of you back for the final half term but sadly some children will not get the chance to properly say goodbye to their friends and key workers. Children who are still at home will receive a phone call from their keyworker at some point this week to give them a chance to say goodbye.

I hope you have enjoyed your time at Acacia nursery and have many memorable experiences to share with your new friends and teachers. Without children our setting would not exist and we value the contributions made by all. Every single child has made excellent progress and has developed into a well-rounded individual with a solid foundation that will stand them in good stead for reception and beyond. I have enjoyed working with and getting to know every single one of you and I wish you all the best.

A big thank you must go out to those parents and carers of our reception leavers. You tirelessly ensured your children have attended nursery regularly and have provided us with the chance to support your children in the first steps of their learning and development. We wish you all well in the future. For those children returning in September we look forward to seeing you all again and wish you a restful summer break.

Best wishes,

Miss Rose

### Last Day of Term

Unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions we will be unable to have our usual class parties. Ordinarily the children would bring in party food and share this together and have an end of year celebration. We will not be able to do this this year so we therefore ask you not to bring in party food on the last day of term. The children will have a chance to say goodbye to one another and we will have music, games and dancing and the children may have the opportunity to do some baking or decorate a cake or biscuit with their social bubble.



### Diary Dates

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July** – Last day of the academic year

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August** – Holiday Club (based at Davies Lane Primary School). See letter for more details: <http://acacianursery.co.uk/letters.html>

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** – Staff INSET day (school closed to children)

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** – Staff INSET day (school closed to children)

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September** – Children return to school

Please see letter on website regarding wrap around care: <http://acacianursery.co.uk/letters.html>

### Activity Ideas for the Summer Holidays

#### Make salt dough food

<https://www.coffeeandvanilla.com/diy-salt-dough-play-food-bakery/>



If you are returning to nursery in September please bring in your creations and we can use them in our nursery role play bakery / fruit and veg stall!

#### Make Ice Lollies

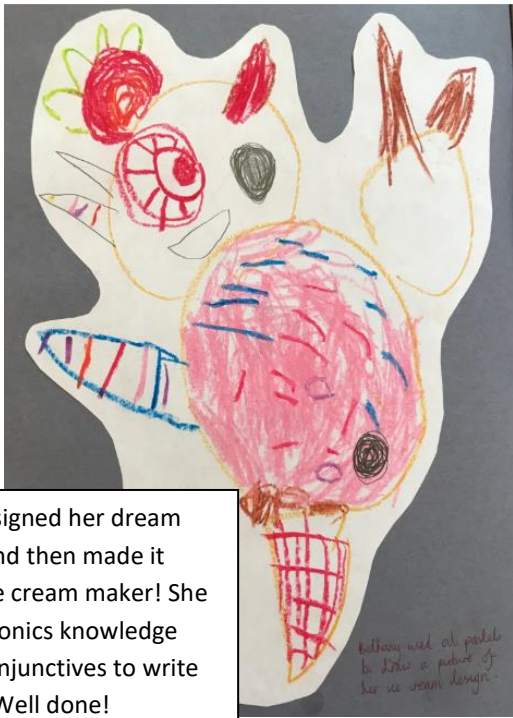
<https://www.abelandcole.co.uk/recipes/frozen-yogurt-lollies>



Practise Writing your Name (especially if you're going into reception)



What We've Been Up To



Ingredients	
strawberry	
flavour	sauce

Instructions
First mix the cream and sugar.
Next crush the strawberries and put on the ice freezer.

Bethany designed her dream ice cream and then made it using the ice cream maker! She used her phonics knowledge and time conjunctives to write the recipe. Well done!

A <sup>Parrot</sup> parrot took the  
<sup>Passion</sup> passion fruit. It was  
<sup>Sour</sup> SWAMP.

Woody and Ursula have been working hard and are now able to make good attempts at spelling words independently by using their knowledge of phase 2 and phase 3 phonics. They have enjoyed reading Handa's Surprise and learning about African animals and different types of fruit.

A <sup>burvarar</sup> <sup>banana</sup> munnkee took the  
<sup>zebra</sup> zebra. A <sup>orange</sup> zebra took  
the <sup>Handa</sup> orange. Handa was  
<sup>very</sup> <sup>surprised</sup> surprised.