

Summer Newsletter 2023

COMMUNICATION

We need parents to maintain communication with us at all times but especially in the following situations:

- Other than when your child is ill, please ensure your child attends regularly. Regular attendance is important for the children to get the best possible experience to support their learning. Our curriculum is packed with learning opportunities and is fast paced to meet the demands of the EYFS. We need children to attend all their sessions.
- If your child has an injury that was sustained outside of Pre-School, please make sure you inform us so that we can record it.
- Please note that we require two weeks' notice if you want to cancel your child's hot meals.
- Please keep us up to date with your telephone number and email address.
- You must ensure that if you have a holiday booked during term time, you inform us by completing a Holiday Information Form (these can be found in the cloakroom) as soon as possible.

MEDICINES



If your child is taking prescribed medication, a staff member will be able to assist you with the forms we need you to complete, as it must be signed in and out.

Medicines **must not** be left in the children's bags in the cloakroom.

INDEPENDENCE

To encourage your child to become more independent and prepare them for school in September, can we ask that you help us to teach him or her to fasten their coat and put on and take off shoes.

Please ensure all items of clothing are named.

FRUIT BOWL

As part of our healthy eating strategy, we would like parents to bring some fresh fruit per day to put in our snack bowl which is in the cloakroom. We also welcome vegetables, breadsticks, dried fruit and crackers, but not crisps or chocolate please! We hope this will encourage the children to eat a variety of food – subject of course to any known allergies!



SICKNESS/ABSENCES

If your child is ill with a cold, cough or sickness, please ring as soon as possible on the first day, as we need to record their absence in our register. **Children of pre-school**



age spread germs between themselves more easily than older children so please keep them at home until they are well.

SPORTS DAYS AND LEAVERS

Our annual Sports Days will be held on the morning of Wednesday 5th July and the afternoon of Thursday 6th July. Parents, carers and grandparents are invited back at 10.45am for the morning session and 2.00pm for the afternoon session to watch the children participating in a few fun activities.



We will also be saying goodbye to the children who are moving onto school in September by having a sing-along and a leavers' celebration week commencing 17th July. A letter will follow shortly with more details.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROVISION

Did you know that we are open 52 weeks of the year (less Bank holiday/one week at Christmas and staff training days)?

You can send your child every school holiday from 7.30am – 6.00pm. If you require this service please see Lindsey/Joanne for a booking form.



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FUNDRAISING



Over the next few weeks, we will be asking children and parents to help with our fundraising event 'Sponsored Stick'.

SUN CREAM

Please dress your child in clothing appropriate to the weather. We can still have very wet or chilly days even in the summer months so please send your child with a light coat. On sunny days, can we please remind you to put sun cream on your child before attending Pre-school, and to also bring a sun hat.

If your child attends Pre-school for a **full day** we can apply sun block provided by us in the afternoon session. Please make sure that all allergies are known to staff.

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA/LETTERS

Can we please remind you that the majority of our letters will be placed on the website, (which will be indicated by a text which includes a link) rather than printing out copies, in order to do our bit for the environment.

Also, please continue to 'like' and 'share' our Facebook posts, as this will help to spread the word about us.

PICKING UP TIMES

The doors open at 11.55am for you to collect your child from morning session. The doors open at 3.00pm in the afternoon so you can collect your child any time after this but before 3.15pm. Please be aware that after school sessions start at 3.15pm and all **Pre-school children, not attending after school, must be collected before this time.**

ICE PACKS

During these warmer months, please place a small ice pack in your child's lunchbag to keep the contents cool. Also, remember to wrap or secure food to avoid soggy sandwiches!

CHILDREN'S ARTWORK



Can we remind you to check, on a daily basis, whether there is any of your children's artwork that needs to be taken home.

This is something your child has spent time producing and is proud of.

STAY AND PLAY

This is where parents can visit Pre-School on the day your children attend, participate in activities and chat with your child's keyworker. Please ask a member of staff for more details.

AMAZON WISHLIST

Just a reminder that we still have our 'Wishlist' of books on Amazon, so if you could add a book to your shopping basket this would be wonderful! Our book Wishlist link is: - https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3GPF50MAOZ2AB?ref=wl_share

OUR ALLOTMENT

We would like to thank all parents and carers for their donation of seeds, plants and their time in our allotment area. Juana and the children are currently enjoying looking after all the fruit and vegetables we are growing at the moment. Please take a minute or two to have a look too!

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 5th (AM) July and Thursday 6th (PM) July
Sports Days

Week commencing 18th July
Leavers' celebrations

End of school term
Friday 21st July and
re-open **Tuesday 6th September**