

# What's happening at Nursery School!



Monday 30th October 2017 to Friday 3rd November 2017

Welcome back to our second school half term.

This is going to be a busy half term so please ensure that you keep checking the news letters, the notice board in the corridor in Nursery school and the website for information about all our events and the opportunities for you to take part in your child's learning. We hope you will be able to join us this week for our Ready to learn sessions for parents. These sessions will help you to find out about ways to support your child to develop really important skills that will help them to be fantastic lifelong learners.

On Wednesday this week a volunteer from the Royal society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) will be in Nursery school to work with the children and staff. They are visiting us three times during the school year. This weeks session encourages the children to discover as much of the wildlife and natural world as possible within the nursery school grounds using their senses.

We will be sending out some letters about a trip to the theatre in January next year. This will give you plenty of time to pay for your child's ticket. We will be travelling by train in order to keep the costs down. Why not start to save for this exciting event using our Saving Card facility? Pay a small amount each week and you will soon have saved enough to pay for your child's ticket.

We hope to take nearly all the children but there may be a few who are not quite ready for this type of learning experience. Your child's keyworker will speak to you about this if necessary.

### Charges for late collection of children

Please remember that it is your responsibility to collect your child from Nursery school on time. If you are running late you must call school and tell us. Staff have to be on time going for their lunch breaks and also for training or meetings after school and this is affected if they have to stay in class to look after any children who have not been collected on time. you are late on more than one occasion you will be charged our "After school fee" of £2.00 per half hour.

Please ask if you wish to book your child in for club if you have difficulty being on time.

"Ready to Learn Workshops" Please join us on either

Tuesday 31st October or Thursday 2nd November from 8.30-10.30am or 12.00 - 1.30pm to help your child get a head start in their learning at our "Ready to Learn" sessions. Our activities will focus on essential learning skills that will help you support your child on their educational and life journey.

Please can you bring in a school photograph of yourself or add one on to Tapestry as we are thinking about schools and education in different parts of the world.

# Snacks and fruit or vegetables for the café

In order that we can provide healthy snacks each day in the cafe for the children please can children in the <u>Bumblebees group</u> bring in a few pieces of fruit, some vegetables or some breadsticks or crackers this week? If you are not sure what to bring please ask your child's keyworker.











# Have you applied for your child's Reception Class place yet?

If your child was born between

1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014,
they'll be able to start school in
September 2018.

Remember you MUST apply for a place online before 15th January 2018
Please ask if you need any help with your application.

#### Firework safety

If you are planning to have any fireworks over the next few weeks you can find out how to keep everyone safe at this website:-

www.rospa.com/home-safety/advice/fireworks-safety/

It is recommended that sparklers are not given to children under 5 years old. Sparklers are often viewed as being harmless but they burn at fierce temperatures, equivalent to a welding torch.

### Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will be taking place week beginning <u>Monday 6th November 2017</u>
Please put your name and your child's name on the sheets in the Nursery school corridor.

This is an opportunity for you to talk to your child's keyworker and to find out how well your child is doing and to find out if there are any areas that your child needs some extra support with.

Monday 6/11/17 Hedgehogs (beg of week)

Tuesday 7/11/17 Squirrels and Robins (beg of week)

Wednesday 8/11/17 Caterpillars am and pm

Thursday 9/11/17 Hedgehogs (end of week) and Robins (end of week)

Friday 10/11/17 Bumble bees am and pm

Monday 13/11/17 Rabbits

## **Harvest Festival Donations**

This week is your last chance to bring in any donations for the Harvest Festival Foodbank Collection.



Look out for the posters in the corridors with details of what food items you can donate.

Please don't forget to phone us if your child is going to be absent.

The school telephone number is 0121 675 3408 Add it to your phone contacts.