



Welcome back to this half term. We welcomed 9 new children in January. We are already planning lots of exciting things for the children! I have attached a questionnaire for you - either one about starting Nursery school, or if your child has been here longer one about provision. As ever please come and speak to us if you have any worries, concerns or just want a friendly chat! Amanda.

Stay and Play

This terms stay and play sessions will be on:

5th March - Red Group (Laura)

6th March - Green Group (Zara)

7th March - Blue Group (Jo)

If your child started in January there will be chance to chat to the key person about how they have settled in.

The focus for this stay and play will be developing writing skills. There will be time to play with your child and chance for a chat with myself or Maraide about how the children learn how to write and how you can support them at home.



Home School Library

The home school library is open every day. Please call in and borrow a book to share with your child. Book bags are on sale at £4.00 each. We would like to display photographs of your child reading with a family member so please send in any photos you have for us to display.

Attendance

Our attendance for last term was 87.6%. This is a good achievement. Well done to all. You should all have received your child's individual attendance. We ran competition for all children whose attendance was above 96%. Well done to Nate Murphy who won an Asda voucher.



Imagine That!

Imagine That! Following our lovely trip to Delamere Forest we have now planned our next trip to Imagine That! This will be held Monday 4th March. We have booked the whole venue so we can explore the environment and learn about some exciting science experiments.



Dummies

We are really pleased to see that the number of Dummies coming into Nursery School has dropped. There is now lots of evidence to show that they delay children's speech development and if used too often they change the shape of the teeth as they are forming. Please come and see if you need any advice / help with this.

MOMO Challenge - It has been brought to our attention that an alleged form of Cyberbullying is being spread through social media, eg through Kids You Tube, What's App etc . This is something called the "Momo Challenge" where apparently an animated face instructs children to take part in challenges, for example "touching the cooker". Please be vigilant when your child is using the internet, making sure that you are near them and can hear what they are playing. Information on helping you to keep your children safe on line was given out at last terms Stay and Play session, but if you need any further guidance please come and speak to us.

30 Hour children - Packed Lunches

Please make sure your child has a sandwich, fruit, treat (biscuits / crisp) and a drink. Anything more often over faces them. **Also could you make sure that grapes are cut in half length ways so they are not a choking hazard.** Lunch time is a really social occasion and we encourage the children to sit and wait for their friends to finish before going outside or to play.

Contact Numbers
Please ensure you inform us of any changes in contact numbers / information.



Water bottles

Please remember that children should only bring water in their drinking bottles and **NOT** juice. All children are provided with milk or water at snack time and have access to drinking water throughout the day.

Snack Money

Please remember to pay your half termly contribution of £8 for 15 Hour children and £16 for 30 hour children. This cannot come out of our budget so in order to provide snack we rely on your contribution. This can now be paid by bank transfer, please see reception if you would like details.



World Book Day 7th March Children can come dressed as a character from a book if they wish. Each child will receive a voucher for a free book, or against another book of their choice.



Post Box We have a post box situated in the nursery foyer. Parents can post snack money, trip money and any other replies or information. Please ensure all payments are in an envelope with your child's name clearly labelled and information of what the contents are.

Privacy Notice - A copy of our privacy notice is available on our Nursery notice board and our website.

Learning Journals

Nursery School - please don't forget to bring in an A4 file for your child. These folders will belong to your child, will become a record of their learning and development, and a lovely memento of their time at nursery school when they leave!

Spare Clothes

We welcome donations of any children's clothes that you no longer need. Children at times have accidents or get wet and messy and it is useful for us to have a supply of clothes to change children into at nursery.

Primary School Places for September 2019

School Admissions have now closed.
If you didn't apply for a school place for your child for September
Please come and speak to a member of staff

Facebook

We have a Facebook page and are using it to send reminders about events, holidays etc. If you 'like' our Facebook page then you will receive these reminders too. We have set the privacy levels so you will remain anonymous as long as you don't 'like or comment' on any of the comments we post.



Future dates to remember:

Mon	4 th March	Trip to Imagine That!
Tues	5 th March	Stay & play Laura's Key Group
Wed	6 th March	Stay & play Zara's Key Group
Thurs	7 th March	Stay & Play Joanne's Key Group
Thurs	7 th March	World Book Day
Fri	15 th March	Red Nose day
Fri	29 th March	Nursery Closes for spring break
Tue	16 th April	Nursery Opens
Thurs	2 nd May	Sponsor Day
Fri	24 th May	Nursery closes for half term
Tues	4 th June	Nursery opens
Fri	21 st June	Nursery Trip TBC
WC	15 th July	Stay and play sessions
Wed	17 th July	Beep Beep day
Thurs	18 th July	Picnic and sports day
Wed	24 th July	Nursery closes for summer