



Play, Learn And Grow together.

Frome Valley Preschool

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Newsletter

Welcome to the April edition of our newsletter. This will be a very short month at Preschool as term ends this Friday for the Easter Break and we return for the Summer term the last week of April.

LEARNING JOURNEY REVIEWS

This week we will be sending home a review of your child's learning and development for this term. For new parents, this is a review that focus's on a child's prime areas of development. These are their: Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Physical Development and Communication and Language.

It is an opportunity to celebrate the things they can do and suggestions on how they can be supported to progress we refer to as their next steps.

It is really helpful for staff to receive your views and comments and we enclose a coloured comment card which we encourage you to return.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

We will be holding parent consultation meetings between Tuesday 2nd and Monday 9th May. This is an opportunity for parents to discuss their child's learning and development with their Key Person.

Each Key Person has been allocated a day with ten minute time slots which will be available before and after the preschool session.

TUESDAY 2nd May	KYLIE
WEDNESDAY 3rd May	BECCI & EMMA
THURSDAY 4th May	BECCI & EMMA
FRIDAY 6th May	BABS
MONDAY 9th May	TRACEY & PAULA

Sheets for Parents to sign up for an appointment will be displayed in Preschool after the Easter Break.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Parents that have applied for a place in school for their child this September should hear from Dorset School Admissions on Tuesday 18th April.

Crossways is a growing village and we are aware that Frome Valley has had a high number of applications and may be oversubscribed this year.

If you do find that your child has not been offered a place at your first choice of school. *Please try not to panic!* This is only the first stage in the process and often things do change.

SUMMER TERM

We will be saying goodbye to a number of children this Summer as they leave us to start school. We can now share that Babs will also be leaving Preschool at the end of August.

After five years of commuting each day from the New Forest she feels it is time to work a little closer to home and put in a few less hours.

Babs has been part of the Preschool from the beginning and, along with an amazing team of staff, has helped to create a Preschool that Frome Valley is immensely proud of. We will be very sorry to see her leave but we would like to thank her for everything that she has done and wish her well for the future.

We will be advertising for a new Childcare Manager in the next few weeks with the aim of them being in post for September.



Toddler Incredible Years Parenting Programme

Bringing up children can be one of the most difficult and demanding jobs in the world. This course will help build your relationship with your child and, by creating a tool kit of ideas, skills and techniques, feel more confident in dealing with their behaviour. It covers the subjects of play, self-esteem, positive praise, setting boundaries and much more. Meeting other parents with similar experiences will also help you feel less alone and you can share and gather ideas from each other.

**Programme starts with a coffee morning
on
Tuesday 23rd May
from 9.30am - 11.45am
At Dorchester Sure Start Children's Centre
and then every Tuesday
from 6th June - 11th July**

Dorchester Sure Start Children's Centre, Middle Farm House, Middle Farm Way, Poundbury, Dorchester DT1 3WA
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www.dorsetforyou.com/childrenscentres

Dorset County Council



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 7th April

Last Day of Term

Monday 11th - Friday 21st April

Closed for Easter Break

Monday 24th April

First day of Spring Term

Monday 1st May

Closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd - Monday 8th May

Parent Consultations

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

Closed for Half Term

Wednesday 7th June , 9am - 3pm

Preschool Outing to Farmer Palmers

(more details next month)

Tuesday 13th June , 9am - 10am

Preschool Sports Day

Thursday 15th, 22nd & 29th June

New Reception Children Starter sessions (pm)

Thursday 6th July

New Reception Children - Day in School

Friday 7th July , 3pm - 5pm

Preschool Leavers BBQ

Thursday 20th July

Last Day of Term

Friday 21st July

Closed for Staff Training



Details of all Preschool and School Diary events can also be found on the calendar of the school website:

www.fromevalley.dorset.sch.uk/website/calendar

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