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Frome Valley Preschool



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Newsletter

Welcome to the June edition of the Preschool newsletter and the final half term for this academic year.

With the warmer weather comes lots of outdoor fun activities with the favourite always being those that involve water.

Can we please ask parents to ensure their child has a complete change of clothes, including shoes, in case they get a little too wet! We endeavour to sun dry wet clothes before sending them home but we apologise if this does not always happen.

FUN IN THE SUN

You may have noticed that we take our responsibility for the children's welfare in the sun very seriously and insist they wear hats and have sun cream applied.

The children are incredibly good at putting on their hats before going outside and will automatically find a Preschool hat to wear if they have forgotten their own.

On hot, sunny days when parents sign their child in we will now ask that you also sign a sun cream sheet to indicate that your child has had cream applied and, as importantly, the period of protection that the cream provides. i.e. 4 or 8 hour. Children with 4 hour protection will have cream reapplied by staff before they go outside in the afternoon.

Can we please ask parents to place their child's named sun cream in the red basket provided.

STARTER SESSIONS

A reminder to parents of children starting school in September that the starter sessions begin next Thursday 15th June.

TRIP TO FARMER PALMERS

A reminder that our Trip to Farmer Palmers is this Wednesday 7th June.

We suggest that parents/carers and children wait on the school field until the coach arrives at 9.15am and we will aim to leave school at 9.30am. Children that are being looked after by a member of staff can be brought in to Preschool at 9am as usual.

The coach does have seat belts and parents may wish to bring booster seats for their child. Please be advised though, the coach seats are very narrow.

PRESCHOOL SPORTS DAY

On Tuesday 13th June at 9.15am (Wednesday 14th, if wet on 13th) we will be holding on the school field our Preschool Sports day.

The children have been practicing very hard and like the Summer trip, all preschool children, regardless if this is their usual day to attend preschool or not, are encouraged to come along. We would also like to invite all parents, younger siblings, grandparents and other carers to come to cheer them all on.

We ask that all children are brought into the preschool room first as normal at 9.00am and are signed in. We will ensure they all go to the toilet and are wearing a sun hat and then we will bring out all the children together to the school field where we will be having our races.

All preschool children will be encouraged to remain with staff and take part in the races. At the end of the races refreshments will be served, which will include coffee and cake, and ice-creams for the children.

For those coming to watch that may need to go back to work the sports day usually lasts for about an hour.



LEAVERS BARBEQUE

The end of term is rapidly approaching and we will soon be saying goodbye to a number of children who will be leaving us to start school.

On Friday 7th July, from 3pm-5pm, we will be providing a Barbeque at Preschool for all the children, and their parents/carers, who will be starting school in September.

We regret that due to lack of space we can not accommodate siblings

We are hoping that Miss Padfield, the Reception teacher and Mrs Trent, the Reception Class Teaching Assistant will also be able to join us.

Invitations will be sent out within the next few weeks.



PRESCHOOL FEES

From 1st September the cost of Preschool sessions, not paid for through the Early Education Funding, will rise.

This will be the first time since September 2012 when the Preschool first opened that our fees have been increased and as most fees are paid through the Early Education Funding this should not effect many people.

The new cost will be:

**A Morning or Afternoon session will be
£11.25**

**A Full Day Session will be
£21.00**

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to everyone who completed our Parents Questionnaire. The response was amazing and staff have felt very touched by your kind comments and appreciation of the work that they do. During the half term break all the information received was collated and will be used to inform next years action plan. A full copy of the findings is available should you wish to have a copy.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 7th June , 9am - 3pm

Preschool Outing to Farmer Palmers

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

Monday 24th July - Friday 1st September

Closed for 6 week Summer Break

Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th September

Closed for Staff Training

Wednesday 6th September

First day of Term

The school will also be closed for training on:-

Monday 30th October '17

Friday 9th February '18

Monday 25th July '18



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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