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Frome Valley Preschool



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Newsletter

Welcome to the May edition of our Preschool newsletter. With Easter behind us we look forward to a fun but busy Summer term!

ADDITIONAL HOURS (30hrs)

After a few initial difficulties we are pleased the parents that applied for the additional hours funding have all been successful.

The code parents provided are valid for three months from the date of acceptance and eligibility will need to be confirmed again to continue to receive the funding.

It is recommended that parents wishing to make their first claim for September do this in August.

Please speak to Babs if you need any further help or information about this funding.

FUN IN THE SUN

As we enter the warm, sunny months the children will need to wear sun hats and have sunscreen applied in order that they can continue to enjoy playing in the outdoor area safely. Please ensure that you have applied sunscreen to your child before they come to Preschool.

Preschool staff will re-apply sunscreen if it is provided by parents, is clearly marked with the child's name and is considered to be necessary. This will be especially important for children who are attending a full day.

Preschool staff will monitor the amount of sun each child is exposed to during each session and will be enforcing the wearing of sun hats.

Please ensure sun hats are clearly named.

UPDATED POLICIES

Each year we review and update our Preschool Policies. This has now been completed and are available on the school website.

Please speak to a member of staff if you would like to receive a paper copy.

PRESCHOOL SPORTS DAY

In preparation for our preschool sports day in June the children will soon be taking part in activities that will involve a lot of running.

Initially these activities will take place in the school hall before we move out onto the field. On these occasions the children will need to wear suitable shoes. Parents do not need to provide specific or additional shoes such as those required by school but we will ask parents, for the safety of their child, they do not send their child to preschool in loose back, flip flop type, open toe or Croc shoes.

STARTING RECEPTION

For many children this will be their last term at Preschool before they move into the Reception class. To support these children with their transition, the Reception Teacher, Miss Padfield, will be visiting the preschool to read the children stories and take part in other small group activities.

In addition to this the children will be given a number of opportunities to eat their lunch with the current Reception children in the school hall. The children will be accompanied by a member of preschool staff. The younger children, and those that do not wish to eat their lunch in the hall, will remain with staff in the preschool room as usual.

PRESCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER

Our places for this September are rapidly filling and some sessions are almost full!

Children currently attending Preschool, who are due to return next term, do not need to re-register, however should parents wish to change or increase their child's sessions it would be advisable to discuss this with us soon to avoid disappointment.



PRESCHOOL SUMMER TRIP TO FARMER PALMERS

On **Wednesday 7th June** we will be going on our summer outing to Farmer Palmers farm park near Wareham

This outing is open to **ALL** preschool children, regardless of whether this is their usual day to attend preschool or not. We will travel by coach which will leave school at **9.30am** and will return by **3.00pm**. We invite those parents that can to join with us for the day; unfortunately there will be insufficient space on the coach for younger siblings to come too.

Children that are not accompanied by a parent or carer will be looked after by their Key Person or by another member of Preschool staff. These children will need to bring a disposable lunch with lots of drink and a change of clothes; please contain these in one clearly labelled bag.

To cover the cost of the trip we ask for a voluntary contribution of £6.75 per child or £13.00 per child and one adult. A letter will be sent home in the next couple of weeks with a form to complete and return along with any money.

More information about Farmer Palmers can be found at: www.farmerpalmers.co.uk



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



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

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

Monday 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

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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