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Term 4 February – April 2020

#### **Parent Newsletter**

Dear Parents,

### Introduction.

We hope you had a lovely half term and are ready for the busy term ahead!

We are continuing to encourage the children's independence when putting on coats, shoes etc so please be patient with them as they practice their skills at home!

We are also continuing with the Library, reading books and morning groups such as handwriting, maths, literacy, guided reading and phonics, to help children to prepare for school.

## **Important Notices**

- Please do not forget to reconfirm your code for 30-hour government funding. To qualify for 30-hour funding, parents need to register with the HMRC for a code and re-confirm the code every 3 months. If this code is not reconfirmed every three months, parents will be expected to pay the full Nursery fees for the full term ahead. The code must be acquired before the full term starts, for example by 31st December, for January start, 31st March for April start and 31st August for September start. This will be offered on a first come first served basis.
- We understand that people's circumstances can change so please inform me of any changes to your personal information.
- Don't forget if you would like to purchase Nursery t-shirts or sweatshirts, we have limited supplies. They cost £5 per t-shirt and £10 per sweatshirt. We also have Nursery bags at £5 and drinks bottles at £4.
- If you would like your child to attend any additional adhoc sessions this term, please speak to me.
- Parent's evening is on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March so please book a place with your child's keyperson. The timetable will be on the main room window. If you cannot make parent's evening, please speak to your key person to arrange a more convenient time.
- We would like to hold a Mother's Day service in Church so please come along at 11am on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020. Please put your name on the list in the window if you are able to attend.

### Reminder

- Please shut the gate on arrival or departure. Staff will lock and unlock the gate as necessary.
- The School have requested that the Nursery gate remain locked for as long as
  possible so please bear with us when we appear to be running late! The
  School have also requested that the gate is locked before 9:10am in the
  morning so if you arrive later than this, you will need to phone the Nursery for
  entry.
- Horspath School's adventure playground should be not be used after school hours and should not be used by Nursery children.
- We are a no nut Nursery.
- We ask that parents bring in snack items weekly, these can be fresh fruit/veg
  or other healthy snack such as bread sticks, cheesy crackers, dried fruit and
  cheese but no biscuits please.
- We ask that no sweets or chocolate bars are put in children's lunchboxes and that grapes and cherry tomatoes are cut in half.
- The children have trays and pegs so please check and empty them regularly.
- Please also remember to bring in at least two changes of clothes and nappies/wipes if needed and if your child is wearing Nursery clothes, please wash and return them as soon as possible.
- There is a lost property box behind the door in the cloakroom, so please keep checking to see if any of your child's items are in there.
- Please could all clothing be named to ensure that they are returned to the correct child.
- For birthday treats, if you would like to bring in cakes or biscuits, that would be great, but please be very careful to check the ingredients for nuts beforehand.
- Toby Ted is still doing the rounds but can children please bring him in the following day.

Nursery Journals are in the cloakroom for your child, we will put information in them from time to time and please feel free to add anything if you would like to.

Topics for the term	
Pets	
Insects	
Dinosaurs	
Mother's Day	
Seasons	
Easter	

## **Fundraising**

Please preview Horspath Nurseries Amazon wish list at:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3KHCOFG9IYRLO?ref\_=wl\_share

Another good fundraising opportunity is by signing up to easy fundraising at the following link: <a href="http://easyfundraising.org.uk/">http://easyfundraising.org.uk/</a>. This is a quick and easy way to raise money for the Nursery, all you need to do is register then remember to click to donate when purchasing anything online.

Save the Date!		
Monday 9th – 18th March 2020	Chick Hatching Programme	
Wednesday 11th March 2020	Parent's evening	
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2020 at 11am	Mother's Day Service in Church	
6 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Easter Holiday	
6 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Easter Play Scheme	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Bank Holiday	
25 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	May Half Term	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2020	Inset Day	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	Inset Days	
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2020	Summer Holiday begins	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	Summer Play Scheme	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> August 2020	Summer Play Scheme	

If you would like to speak to any member of staff with any worries of queries, please do not hesitate to approach us or phone / email to make an appointment.

Kind regards

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