

Dear Parents,

Here is a newsletter with diary dates and information for the coming weeks.

Friday 13th March - Red Nose Day

Please could all children wear something red and we will have a collection for Red Nose Day, we would like to ask everyone to donate £1.00 to this.

EASTER RAFFLE

Please could we ask parents if possible to donate an Easter egg or any kind of chocolate for our Easter Raffle. This is to raise funds for the "pyjama" party and an Easter egg for each child.

We will be asking everyone to sell £5.00 worth of raffle tickets to friends and family for this, we do appreciate your support with this, without parents support in selling the tickets the children would not have the parties and treats that they currently enjoy.

Wednesday 18th March – Cake and Cuddle Day

We will be celebrating Mothers' Day and World Book Day on this date. We would like to invite all mams, grandmothers or female carers to join us in nursery at 10.30am (morning session) or 2.00pm (afternoon) to share your favourite books and stories with your child. The children will make special cakes to share with their adult during the session. We hope that you can join us. Individual invitations will follow.

Wednesday 25th March – Pyjama Party

We will be holding pyjama parties for the children (both morning and afternoon sessions) on this date. Children need to come to nursery in pyjamas or nightdress, the nursery will have normal session times. All children will receive an Easter Egg from the proceeds of the raffle.

Easter holidays

We break up for the Easter break on Friday 27th March until Monday 13th April. On behalf of all of the staff we hope that you all have a good Easter.

Parents Groups

We sent a questionnaire out to parents last term asking if anyone was interested in group sessions to work with your children to help develop different skills in learning. We are pleased to tell you that we have now organized a group of three sessions for parents to work with children on "Learning Through Dough". These will be delivered by Early Years workers and will run in the hall from 9.00-10.00am on 15th April /22nd April /29th April. Places are limited and first places will be offered to the parents who requested these sessions originally. If you would like to be involved with your child please talk to Gill Parker or Val Halliday for more information. You will use lots of different doughs and mediums to help your child's learning.

Farm visits

We will be visiting Hall Hill farm with the children this year, the dates are 6^{th} and 7^{th} May. 6^{th} May – Afternoon children and all 2 ½ day children.

7th May – Morning children.

There will be no normal sessions at nursery on these dates, each visit will be a full day. More information and costs will follow later.