



Newsletter

3-5s Nursery March 2019

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Dear parents and carers

March has arrived and the days are getting sunnier! If your child is due to start school in September, you will receive your admissions offer on 16th April. Please let us know which school your child will be attending so we can work with them to support the transition for your child. If your child is staying with us, then you will shortly receive your confirmation letter. If you have any questions when you receive your offer, please speak to Sarah in the office or myself.



Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day - wear Red and bring a donation. The children will be doing lots of red themed activities

Tue 19th/Wed 20th/Tue 26th/Wed 27th - Forest School Take 3 - if you can help out for any sessions, we would be grateful! Forest School needs volunteers to enable it to run!

Monday 1st April - Friday 5th April - Mums and Grandmas Week

Friday 5th April - break up for Easter Holidays

Monday 8th April - Monday 22nd April - Easter holidays

Tuesday 23rd April - Nursery opens

Mon 13th May - Sponsored Week

Fri 28th June - INSET Day - Nursery closed

Thursday 18th July - last day of Nursery sessions

Friday 19th July - Leavers Picnic

***New dates added**

Comic Relief - Red Nose Day - this Friday, 15th March is Red Nose Day. We are inviting all the children to wear anything red for a £1 donation to the charity. The children will be doing a variety of 'red' themed activities.



Car parking/dropping off - not a Newsletter goes by without a reminder about parking. We only have spaces for parents with disabled badges or valid permits. Please be respectful of our neighbours in the flats and at Pets Corner.

Clothes - although the weather is warmer, there are occasions when it is still chilly outside. Please can we ask that you send your child in prepared for all weathers!

Food - we have recently found food inside children's bags or pockets. Please can we remind parents that under no circumstances is food to be brought into the building. We have a large number of children with

significant allergies, some of which are life threatening. This also applies to younger siblings waiting with you in the library and when collecting your child.

Termly reminders - don't forget your box of tissues to donate for this term - it really helps especially this time of year with all the sneezes! We would also like to remind parents to make their £5 donation if they are able to which helps us to fund things like Forest School and malleable resources such as playdough.

Staying safe online - although our children are very young, we are aware that they will often use apps on their parents tablets or mobile phones, or watch programmes on sites such as You Tube. There are lots of sites online to support parents to help their children to be safe online.

- Safety net kids - <http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>
- Childline - <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/staying-safe-online/>
- BBC CBeebies - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/help-me-out-staying-safe-online>

Mobile phones - please remember that the use of mobile phones are not permitted in the nursery. This includes in the library areas and when waiting for your child.

Handwashing - we are having a purge at Nursery on handwashing before we eat and after using the toilet. There have been a number of sickness bugs and viruses circulating recently - please help us to enforce this at home.

Voice of the Child - The children love dressing up! Recently, Ivy was wearing a Belle princess dress, complete with tiara! Michelle asked her about her beautiful tiara; she replied 'yes, I have my Tatianna on!!

Book Week - Book Week was a great success last week! From Monday to Friday the children were treated to a variety of wonderful experiences planned by the amazing 3-5s team, from a Goldilocks show to The Bear Hunt, as well as a visit from the library. Check out the photographs on the back page!

Lunches - if your child attends for the morning or afternoon only, don't forget about lunch club or our extended days. These are particularly good to support the transition to full days at 'big school'.

Regards
Donna Harwood-Duffy
Headteacher

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World Book Week!

The children enjoyed a wealth of activities last week including two 'shows'. The Three Bears was enjoyed inside, whilst the following day the 'theatre' moved to the garden and the Dorking Nursery family went 'on a very adventurous bear hunt'! We followed the bear theme and explored different foods at breakfast and snack time, discovering that both porridge and pancakes were delicious when you could choose your own fruit and topping. Visits from Dorking Library and biscuit making for our bears, brought more fun. The children then brought their bears to Nursery on Thursday and shared food, fun and the odd drink of water with their beloved bears.



