



Newsletter July 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our summer newsletter. We have had another great year, with some marvellous improvements to our outdoor learning environment and lots of new happy faces.

This term's learning: Children have had a fantastic time this term, learning about holidays and the sea-side. Have a look at our underwater display in class. Now, especially with this warmer weather, children are reaping the benefits of the recently developed outdoor space. (Please remember to put sunscreen on your children before sessions and to provide a sunhat.)



Wenchford: Last month we enjoyed our summer trip to Wenchford in the Forest of



Dean. The weather was kind to us and so we could enjoy paddling in the shallow stream and making and floating our own paper, bottle-top and foil boats. Thank you to Melanie for organising all the Nature School activities for the children.

Tutshill Nature Tots restarted this term, after a brief break for the colder winter months. Melanie Walton, our Deputy Manager, leads our outdoor toddler group every Friday, from 9.30 -11am. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook: Tutshill Nature Tots, for more information.

Cinema: We have enjoyed being able to continue organising *Chepstow's Children's Cinema* this year, at the Drill Hall. The most popular film shown this year was *The Good Dinosaur*. Look out for more cinema dates next year. (If you have any recommendations do let us know!)

Leavers' Fun Party: Following on from this term's topic, there will be a sea-side themed leavers' party on the 12th July at 12 noon. Parents/carers are invited to return at 2:25pm for our Leavers Award Ceremony. Please could children bring

along their swimming costume and towel, for fun in the paddling pool. (Could you provide a savory packed lunch for your child on the day, we will provide drinks and fruit kebabs.)

Crimes Against Folk: Don't miss out on our end of year fundraising event on Friday 15th July. Energetic folk band, Crimes Against Folk, are playing a gig at the Conservative Club in Chepstow. Last year's gig was a huge success, enjoyed by all who attended. Tickets are £5 each and are available from pre-school staff or Amy Conlin. All funds raised will go towards purchasing technological toys and hardware for pre-school.

Uniform: Don't forget that the pre-school uniform is available to buy from Pre-school.

Communication: Please continue to use our website. Parents should be receiving communications by email. Please keep us updated should your address change. Also, all events and news are posted on our Facebook page so please 'like' us to keep up to date.

Parent helpers: If you have any interests or skills you feel you could share with pre-school (such as gardening, baking, sewing etc), we would love to hear from you. Please speak to Debra and the team to discuss the possibility of sharing your enthusiasms with the children.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL THE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHO ARE LEAVING FOR *BIG SCHOOL*. PRE-SCHOOL STAFF WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE HELPING THEM GROW AND DEVELOP INTO CONFIDENT CHILDREN, READY FOR SCHOOL.

<u>Dates for the Diary</u>	
Tuesday 12 th July – Leavers' party at 12 noon	
Friday 15 th July – Crimes Against Folk gig from 8pm	
Wednesday 20 th July – Last day of term (finish at 3.30pm)	

Autumn Term Dates 2016

Summer Term Term ends	Wednesday 20 th July
Autumn Term Term begins	Monday 5 th September

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