



Newsletter April 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our April Newsletter. We have had a fantastic term with lots going on.

The children have been learning about seasons, and in particular the winter climate, the arctic and its wildlife.

They have also been learning about traditional fairy tales which is why you may have been hearing about Goldilocks and the morals behind talking to strangers. We have also been growing beans just like Jack's from Jack and The Beanstalk.

We are now looking at Spring and we will be having a visit from some baby lambs! We are also watching our bulbs grow and we will be harvesting our radishes.

Tutshill Nature Tots: Will continue after Easter with lots of outdoor activities. So far we have made bird feeders, sailed boats in water, made mud potions to name but a few! Melanie Walton our Deputy Manager, is passionate about the outdoors and leads the group every Friday 9.30 - 11am. Please follow us on Facebook: *Tutshill Nature Tots* for more information.

World Book Day: We had lots of characters turn up for the day, including a number of Elsa's, Superheros and Caterpillars. The children enjoyed talking about which character they were and telling us all about their favourite books. We hope you all remembered to use your vouchers!

Special Persons Tea Party: For the second year running this has been a great success. Thank you for joining us, the children love to perform, especially to an audience! We hope you enjoyed it!

Date Changes: Pre-School will be open on Friday 1st May and we will finish for Summer Holidays on Tuesday 14th July 2015. We are closed for Polling Day, Thursday 7th May.

Leavers Photographs: All those children leaving to go to 'big school' in September are invited to come for their leavers photograph with the Pre-School staff at 9am on Monday 11 May.

Open Days: We have an Open Day coming up on Friday 24th April 10am-12pm.

Fundraising!

After many years of fundraising we will hopefully be in a position to make Debra's dream come true and lower the playground to the same level as the Pre-School room. We will also replace one of the windows with a set of doors to allow free flow access for the children. At the same time a local builder Darren Voyce has offered his team to come into Pre-School over the Summer holidays to help us give the inside a 'face lift'. At present all proceeds of our fundraising events are going to towards this fantastic project.

The Mother's Day Golden Ticket: We raised an amazing £112! Thank you for all the ticket sales and congratulations to Kate Clark (Alfie's Mummy). Enjoy your treatment at The Garden Retreat Kate!

The Easter Bunny Hop: This was a great success and was enjoyed by our Pre-School children, Tutshill Reception Class and some local children. There were some amazing bonnets and fantastic bouncing by the children and The Easter Bunny! We will let you know how much we raised once all sponsorships are received. Thanks again!

Cinema – Save The Date: We have a very exciting cinema event planned for Sunday 31st May. There will be 2 very special guests! Further details to follow soon... Please save the date for now!

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

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

Parent Rotas: The Pre-School staff very much appreciate the help given by parents and carers. All our sessions are very busy so if any parents can offer their time, **even just for the last 30 minutes to wash up** it would be a great help.

If you have any queries or problems please speak to Debra or one of her team; Pre-School have an open house policy and are always happy for you to come into a session to help out or just observe. You are also more than welcome to talk to any member of the Committee.

Tutshill Community Pre-School Committee

Important Dates

Friday 24th April - Open Day

Thursday 7th May – Closed for Polling Day

Monday 11th May – Leavers Photographs at 9am

Sunday 31st May – Cinema at The Drill Hall

Tuesday 7th July – Leavers Party

Term and Holiday Dates 2015

Summer Term Term begins Half Term Term Ends	Monday 13th April Monday 25^h May to Friday 29th May Tuesday 14th July
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