

Newsletter April 2017

Welcome to our April Newsletter. As you are aware, this year is flying by...and spring is finally upon us!! Over the next few months our children will be spending lots of time outdoors, in the nursery garden, planting seeds and observing changes in the environment, so please ensure that your child is wearing warm clothing at the nursery. This month will be very busy for all the staff and children, as we have lots of exciting events taking place, such as: 'Easter', 'Vaisakhi', 'Earth Day and 'Farm to Fork'.



Easter bonnet

Now that Spring is here, we are inviting all parents to create an Easter bonnet with their child, in preparation for our Easter bonnet competition and parade in April. All entries will need to be in nursery by Tuesday, 12th of April. The Easter parade will take place on Thursday the 13th, at 4.30pm.



Easter Bank Holiday

Nursery will be closed on Friday April 14th and Monday April 17th.

Late collection charge

Quick reminder: if you collect your child late, we will start charging you a late fee of £10 (for the initial 5 minutes) and then £1 (for every minute). We have sent quite a few reminders out; however, some parents are still turning up late to collect their children. This is impacting on things such as: our insurance policy, ratio, breaks, etc. (E.g. some staff members have to stay at work longer whereas they have an early start in the morning, the table-top setting is being delayed, etc.). Can you please ensure that you are collecting your child before 6.30pm, in order to get a full handover from the staff in your child's room? We would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation...



Vaisakhi - 11th of April

Children and staff are welcome to dress up in their colourful clothes to celebrate the Vaisakhi festival. There'll be Bhangra music, dancing, playing 'Dhol' (an Indian musical), etc. Lee will cook traditional Vaisakhi food for us. Preschool will be visiting a Gurdwara (a Sikh temple) in order to extend their knowledge about the Vaisakhi festival. (Date will be confirmed soon)

Staff News

We would like to take this opportunity to bid a warm farewell to Sharon, who will be leaving us in April. She is leaving us after 5 years of service at Monkey Puzzle Twickenham. We would like to thank her for all of her hard work and wish her all the best in her new venture.

What's coming up in April?

St George's Day - 20th of April - All children attending on this day are invited to dress up as St George or a dragon (we kindly ask parents to ensure that children don't bring swords into the nursery). We will take part in lots of fun activities, such as making dragon masks and learning about St George's day.

Farm to fork - 6th of April - Pre-school will be visiting Tesco for the "Farm to fork" project again. This time, we will be looking at/tasting different types of food at the counters. (E.g. dairy, poultry, fish and fresh food)

Earth Day - 17th of April - The children will learn about the recycling cycle (reduce, reuse, and recycle) and the importance of keeping our planet clean.

We would like to thank everyone involved in our World Book Day celebrations. It was a great success: all parents/members of staff/children put a lot of effort into it and everybody looked amazing!



We would like to thank all the mummies and grannies that came for our Mother's Day breakfast. We had an amazing time, full of joy, cuddles and kisses...and a few tears, here and there, when our lovely mummies had to go back to work. Thank you for making our day so special and... we are definitely looking forward to having the next one...We hope that you'll love our presents.



Holi was a great success... Thank you for providing the white tops...we've had so much of fun!!!

