







Newsletter Term 4 - MARCH 2020

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IMPORTANT DATES:

W/C 2nd March World book week 1st April Annual sponsored Trike Ride

4th March Fundraising Drinks 7.30pm 3rd April Last day of Term 4 W/C 9th March Sport Relief week 20th April First day of Term 5

25th March Visit to Dauntsey House

NOTICES:

FUNDRAISING: Please come along on Wednesday 4th March at 7.30pm in The Green Dragon, Market Lavington, to have a chat about fundraising ideas for the pre-school. We would love to see as many parents as possible so please come along if you can and we look forward to seeing you there.

TERM TOPIC: This term our investigations are centred around 'Transport' so if anyone has any interesting modes of transport that they would like to share with the children such as motorbikes, campervans, bikes, tandems, tractors, kayaks etc. please let us know and we can arrange for you to bring it to us and show us.

STUDENT PLACEMENT: Miss Ella has joined us on Mondays and Fridays as part of her child care training, the children have been really enjoying having a new face in the playroom. Miss Ella will be with us until the summer.

<u>WORLD BOOK WEEK:</u> We would like to invite all the children to bring in their favourite book in the week commencing 2^{nd} March and they are welcome to come dressed up as their favourite character if they like, but this is purely optional.

SPORT RELIEF WEEK: All the children are invited to come to pre-school in the week commencing 9th March in their sportswear for a donation of £1. All donations collected during the week will be sent on to Sport Relief. Again, this is completely optional.

ANNUAL SPONSORED TRIKE RIDE: This traditional event will take place on 1st April, sponsorship forms have been put in your children's tray. This is a great opportunity for the children to gather sponsorship money from friends and relatives and generate much needed funds for the Preschool. Lavington Pre-school is a registered charity, we are not a profit-making organisation, all monies raised will go towards enhancing the experiences of our children and their families. More details to follow nearer the time but please ask if you have any questions... There will be a prize for the child who raises the most sponsorship money.

<u>VISIT TO DAUNTSEY HOUSE CARE HOME</u>: Our rescheduled date for our visit to Dauntsey House Care Home is Wednesday 25th March. Please let us know if you are planning to come on this visit by adding your name to the list on the office door. We will meet in The Churchill Car Park at 3.45pm and walk down together. All siblings are invited to join us!

WHAT TO EXPECT, WHEN?: A guide to your child's learning and development in the early years is available for you all to read in reception.

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NOTICES – Continued

NOTIFYING PRE-SCHOOL OF ABSENCES: If your child is unwell and unable to attend Pre-school, please let us know as soon as you can, ideally at the start of the session, that they will be absent that day.

<u>OPEN DOOR POLICY:</u> We would like to remind you all that information is always available at www.lavingtonpreschool.co.uk and we have an open door policy which means we will do all we can to be available to you if you have any concerns or questions, please just ask.

<u>UP-TO-DATE DETAILS</u>: Please ensure that you keep us informed of ANY changes in your contact details, home address and your child's medical/allergy information. It is vital that we are **always** able to contact a parent or carer when your child is in session.

<u>MUDDY CLOTHES AND WELLIES:</u> We love spending time outside and at this time of year this can mean that the children get a little bit wet and muddy. Please can we ask that all children come to school with a named pair of wellies, a warm and waterproof coat and that the children come to preschool in clothes that you don't mind getting muddy and with a change of clothes if possible, too. Thank you.

<u>PARKING:</u> A quick notice that parking will be limited at the village hall on the 5th March 2020. <u>30 HOURS APPLICATIONS AND RENEWALS:</u> If your child receives 30 funded hours please ensure that you renew your 30 hours code every 3 months to keep it valid. If you are claiming the extended 30 hours funding for the first time please remember to apply for eligibility and get a valid code before the end of the term in which they turn 3 years old.

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE: All staff have completed an in-house safeguarding refresher training session at our latest Staff Meeting. Please remember that if you ever see anything that concerns you within the Pre-school please speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Miss Julie or our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, Miss Nikki. Information about what to do if you have any concerns are available on our noticeboard and in our safeguarding policy within our policies and procedures folder in reception.

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