









Newsletter Term 5 April 2024

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We would like to welcome Cohen, Inga, Nicole and their families to preschool, we look forward to getting to know you all.

Term 4 was a busy term. We celebrated World Book Week with the children dressing up as their favourite story characters and bringing in their favourite storybooks to share with their friends. We then found something red or our pyjamas to wear or had crazy hair for Comic Relief and we raised £22.00, thank you to all those who made donations.

The children worked hard on their Mothering Sunday cards which we hope you enjoyed. They made Easter cards not only for their families but also for every resident at Dauntsey House Care Home, we delivered these by hand along with some Easter biscuits and the children sang Easter themed songs which the residents really enjoyed. At the end of term, we decorated hard boiled eggs and found a gap in the ever-present rain and went egg rolling on the Daps field, this was followed by an egg hunt where the children found some chocolate eggs to take home.

We would like to thank all our grandparents who visited us on our last day, to watch the children's Easter bonnet parade. The children loved decorating their bonnets and were thrilled to have visitors come in to see them and listen to their songs.

We will be holding our sponsored Trike Ride on Wednesday 22nd May. This is an event for our school leavers children which will be cheered on by our younger children. We are planning to plant some seeds, for the children to care for, hopefully the weather will improve to allow our crops to grow.

We also have caterpillars in the classroom, and we will be watching them change and grow into butterflies that we will release into our garden.

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If your family have any festivals/celebrations we would love to hear about them and we would welcome parents or family members to come in and share these with us.

If you would like to come in and read to the children at the end of the morning or at the end of the afternoon, or if you would like to come in and share an interest with the children, please speak to Miss Julie and we can arrange a day that suits. The children get so much from family members coming into the setting spending time with them.

IMPORTANT DATES:	
April	
Monday 15 th	First day of Term 5
Friday 19 th	Fees Due for Term 5
May	
Monday 6 th	May Bank Holiday
Wednesday 22 nd	Trike Ride for our children moving up to primary school, details to follow
Friday 24 th	Last day of Term 5
June	
Monday 3 rd	First day of Term 6 – TD Day at DAPS – No hot lunches available.

NOTICES:

CLOTHING: Please can we ask that your children's clothing/shoes/wellies are labelled. If your child accidently takes home clothing which belongs to another child, please can you return this to preschool when you are next in. If your child wears their wellies to school, please can they have shoes to change into.

SUNCREAM: We are hoping for some sunshine this term, please can your child have a named bottle of suncream and a sunhat at preschool.

SNACK: To help us to easily identify which snack belongs to which child, PLEASE can the children have clearly named drinks bottles and clearly named snacks. At Lavington Preschool we promote healthy snacks and lunches, suggestions for snack are: fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, raisins, crackers and cheese or dried fruit (Grapes must be cut in half longways). Water is always the preferred option for their drink as this does not harm the children's teeth. **PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE A NUT FREE SETTING!!**

PLEASE NOTE, IF YOU DO NOT SEND A SNACK IN WITH YOUR CHILD, PRE-SCHOOL WILL PROVIDE YOUR CHILD WITH A SNACK AND A FEE OF £1.00 PER DAY WILL BE INVOICED TO YOU.

<u>OPEN DOOR POLICY</u>: If you have any questions or concerns please either call us on 01380 812551 or send an email to <u>lavingtonpreschool@gmail.com</u> or <u>managerlavingtonpreschool@gmail.com</u>. If you wish to speak to your child's key person, we can arrange a suitable time for you to meet with them

<u>30 HOURS APPLICATIONS AND RENEWALS:</u> If your child receives 30 hours funding please ensure that you renew your 30 hours code every 3 months to keep it valid. If you need any help with your 30 hours application or **any questions about funding please email Deb** – lavingtonpreschool@gmail.com

<u>SAFEGUARDING NEWS</u>: Miss Julie is the Designated Safeguarding Lead and Miss Mandy is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead. Andy Colley, our chairperson is also our Committee Designated Safeguarding Lead – <u>chairpersonlavingtonpreschool@gmail.com</u>
If you have any safeguarding concerns, please speak to either Miss Julie, Miss Mandy or Andy Colley.