



## **Newsletter Term 2 November 2024**

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Welcome back everyone. I would like to share the good news, that following our Ofsted inspection on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, our provision continues to be GOOD across all areas. I am very proud of my team as they work tirelessly to provide a safe and exciting learning environment for all our children.

If any of the children went on an Autumn Walk during the holiday and have filled in their brown paper bags, we would love to see what they were able to collect.

Term 2 is always a busy term. We have begun the term talking about Remembrance and all the people and animals who we have lost, the children have enjoyed colouring in pictures of animals who may have helped the soldiers and have helped make a wreath. We have also been talking about Firework safety and making firework pictures. Next week is Children In Need, the children are invited to come dressed in either their pyjamas, something yellow or something spotty and we are asking for a donation of one pound.

We would like to do a collection for Devizes Food Bank, week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> November, please see the list attached if you would like to make a donation there will be a box at the gate.

**We will be holding our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 20:00 hrs. All our parents are invited and can either join us at preschool or via zoom. The Zoom link has been sent out to all our parents on an email but please do ask if you would like the details again.**

**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:****November**

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fees Due for Term 2 invoices
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Our older children will be joining DAPS to lay their wreath.
w/c 11 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need week, the children are invited to come dressed in either their pyjamas, something yellow or something spotty and we are asking for a donation of £1.00.
w/c 25 <sup>th</sup>	Devizes Food Bank Collection

**December**

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Visit Dauntsey House Care Home
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term 2 and Children's Christmas Party (details of party will follow)

**NOTICES:**

**CLOTHING:** Please can we ask that all the children's clothes, shoes, wellington boots, all-in-one waterproofs, lunch boxes, drinking bottles and bags are clearly labelled. If your child accidentally 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.

**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 and cherry tomatoes need to be cut into quarters)**. 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.**

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

**Working Parents Entitlement 15 and 30 hour Codes:** If you receive working parents childcare funding please ensure that you renew your code every 3 months to keep it valid. If you need any help with your application or **any questions about funding please email Deb** – [lavingtonpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:lavingtonpreschool@gmail.com)

**SAFEGUARDING NEWS:** 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 – [chairpersonlavingtonpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:chairpersonlavingtonpreschool@gmail.com)  
If you have any safeguarding concerns, please speak to either Miss Julie, Miss Mandy or Andy Colley.