

# Early Years Newsletter

This term our topic is:

***All about winter – Spring 1***

We will be learning about lots of things relating to winter such as the seasonal changes and winter animals. We will also be learning about the different celebrations and memorable days/events (Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day)

***All about spring – Spring 2***

We will be beginning to learn all about spring, including the seasonal changes, spring/farm animals, minibests and planting and growing. We will also be learning about the different celebrations and memorable days/events (pancake day, world book day, Holi festival, red nose day, mother's day, Easter, Ramadan/Eid)



## **Early Years Fund**

Thank you to everyone who has paid into the Early Years Fund so far. We kindly ask you to pay 50p per week or £3 for the half term to help us buy extra resources for the children such as playdough and cooking ingredients. We have a lot of celebrations this term and the Early Years fund will help towards the costs of resources for children to experience these (Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, Pancake Day, Easter) Contributions can be made through ParentPay.

## **Easter bonnet parade**

We will be holding our annual Easter bonnet parade on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 9:15am. You are encouraged to make an Easter bonnet with your child at home. Parents/guardians are invited to attend where the children will parade their Easter bonnets and sing some Easter/spring songs. Prizes will be given to the best Easter bonnets throughout the Early Years!

**Further details to follow.**



## **World Book Day**

We will be celebrating WBD on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Children will be able to come to school on this day dressed up as their favourite story character from their favourite book. We would love for your child to also bring in their favourite book to share with the class.

## **Illness**

Please phone school if your child is ill and unable to attend. We understand young children can become ill but we encourage all children to aim for 100% attendance. There are rewards at the end of each term for 100% attendance.

## **Dates for the diary**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Winter begins  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January – Chinese New Year (year of the rabbit)  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February – Training day – children not at school  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 9-10:30am – Winter craft morning  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Valentine's Day  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Pancake Day  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – World Book Day  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Mother's Day  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Spring begins  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 9-10:30am – Easter/spring craft morning  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 9:15am – EYFS Easter bonnet parade  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Easter break

## **EYFS craft mornings**

Thank you to all who have helped support our craft mornings so far and for all the positive feedback we have received. We will continue to hold our craft mornings each half term for parents to attend, where a range of activities and games are available for you to take part in with your child throughout the Early Years.

**Winter craft morning** – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 9-10:30am

**Easter/spring craft morning** – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 9-10:30am  
Please note there will be NO afternoon nursery for these dates – afternoon nursery children to attend in the morning 8:45 – 11:45.

**Further details to follow.**



## **Online learning**

We have sent home emoji passwords for your child to log onto Wonde to access Google classroom where we will upload additional homework or stories for you to share with your child at home. They will also have access to a range of applications that support your child's learning and Google mail with access to your child's school email. We will use this email address to send home any work or links to online learning if your child is off school for a period of time. Please can you ensure you log onto Wonde regularly and turn in any work that has been set. Please speak to a member of staff if you are experiencing any problems who will be able to support you in this.

**Please Note:** Please make sure that each item of your child's clothing (both school uniform and P.E. kit) has their name on it. Clothing often gets mixed up, especially after P.E. lessons so it is essential that all clothing is named. We also have a lot of outdoor learning, please ensure your child also has wellies, a coat, hat, scarf and gloves.