



NEWSLETTER APRIL - MAY 2017

**Dear Parents/Carers,**



A big welcome back to everyone after the Easter holidays.

We hope you enjoyed the Easter break and survived the overload of chocolate eggs! If you had time off work, went on holiday or just stayed at home, hopefully you had some enjoyable time with your children.

**Easter Chick and Bunny Decorating Competition**

Well done to Mollie Davey, Riley Holmes and Chloe Slocombe who were all winners in our Easter decorating competition. There were some amazing designs which made choosing winners very hard indeed. Well done to all the children.



**Topics**



With spring well and truly here, the children have been playing in the garden and making the most of the warmer, dryer weather.

We started the term with reading *The Hungry Caterpillar*, and witnessing the huge caterpillar hanging in our room transforming into a beautiful butterfly. We will also be planting seeds in the garden!



We will be having a transport week, talking about the Gruffalo, keeping safe, and tasks that help with the development of the children's fine and gross motor skills.

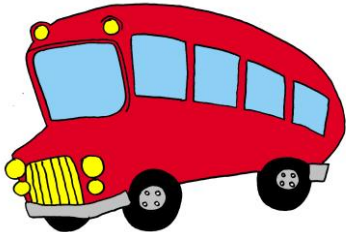


In June we plan to have a visit from Longdown Mobile Farm too!! details to follow

The Twigglets are now in the last term before their journey takes them to infant school. They will continue with improving their independence skills as they prepare for their next step.

Look out for Wendy's topic/theme e-mails that she sends each week. If you aren't on e-mail you can check the whiteboard and look in your child's book bag. Please don't hesitate to speak to any of the staff for further information for any of the topics. Also, if you have any ideas we are always open to suggestions and improvements so please feel welcome to stop by and have a chat.

## Annual Summer Outing



This year's pre-school trip is on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May and we are going to Moors Valley country Park!!! - Pre-school will be closed all day as it's an inset day.

Invites have been sent via –e mail and lots of responses received we have a total of 33 Children and 41 parents going so far (not incl staff) .There are still spaces if you would like to come you can email or drop in and speak to the team.

There is a voluntary charge of £5.00 per child which includes one parent to accompany them (unless you have already requested more). The pre-school is subsidising the trip substantially with funds from our fundraising pot, which is made possible by the important efforts and generosity of parents/families that help us with our fundraising events!

**The Bus will be leaving at 09.30am!!! PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE AT PRE SCHOOL BY 09.15am**

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## Sponsored Bear Hunt & Obstacle Course



In the week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> June we will be having a fun filled sponsored event details to follow

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## Tapestry Reports

Reports will be ready at the end of May. We will send out a step by step guide for all parents, then consultations will be offered for you to meet with your child's key person.

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## Fees

Invoices will be sent out this week. Should you have any problems or queries regarding your invoice for your child's fees, please do not hesitate to contact Jane - Thank you. [twiggsfinance@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:twiggsfinance@hotmail.co.uk)

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## Grant Funding

Thank you for taking the time to come into pre-school to sign the funding form for this term.

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## Health & Safety



Please remember we operate a NO NUT policy due to allergies.

If your child requires an inhaler please could you ensure that you supply us with their inhaler in a sealed plastic tub clearly labeled with their name. Many Thanks.



### Contact Details

Please remember to let us know if you move house or change your telephone number or e-mail address. We need to keep our contact details up to date for correspondence & in case we need to contact you urgently. If you don't receive communication via e-mail and you would like to please let us know. [twiggsfinance@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:twiggsfinance@hotmail.co.uk)

### Dates for your Diary

<u>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May</u> Outing to Moors Valley – 9.15am – 2.45pm	<u>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 12-3pm</u> Leavers Party – Twigglets only Further details will follow
<u>Week Commencing 12th June</u> Bear Hunt and obstacle course	<u>Friday 21st July 2-3pm</u> End of Term Summer Picnic
<u>Friday 23rd June</u> Inset Day – Pre-school closed all day	<b>** Last day of pre-school Friday 21st July**</b>

There is a list of dates for your diary for the whole year 2017/18 displayed on the notice board. Please remember our door is always open, so if you do have any questions or concerns about anything, or if you would like to help out, please speak to us.

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