

Twiggs Lane Pre-School

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FEBRUARY – MARCH 2018

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

WELCOME BACK to everyone! We hope you and your children had an enjoyable time over the half term break and you were able to spend some family time together.



Would you like to become more involved with the pre school? We are looking for help with our fundraising events. Please email us at twiggsfinance@hotmail.co.uk if you can offer any help however small 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.

TOPICS



At the beginning of January the children enjoyed lots of role play in our pretend café. This helped enhance their personal social and numeracy skills. Later in January the children made feeders for the birds in our garden. They used fir cones filled with lard and seeds. The children made an I spy chart to record the birds coming to



feed. We then made the children a hide to watch them! This will continue through the coming



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February began with the children exploring Winter. Our water table was left out overnight with various arctic animals, and even a pirate ship! The children loved seeing it all frozen and breaking up the ice with little wooden

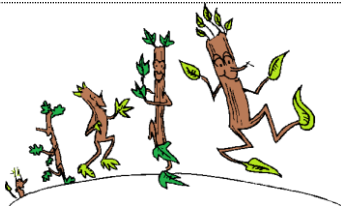


hammers



Up to half term our topic is, all about people that help us. We have started with Paw Patrol and the children have been teaching the staff the character names!

Please don't hesitate to speak to Wendy or Sue for further information regarding any of the topics. Also, if you have any ideas or suggestions, please feel welcome to stop by and have a chat.



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A big thank you to all our parents/carers for completing our questionnaire. It has been really useful in assessing our families needs, and hearing how you feel about Twiggs.

We have sent a feedback e-mail to you all. Please do not hesitate to pop in for a chat about anything.



It is World Book Day on Thursday 1st March.

We are celebrating all week. Children can come in dressed if they would like too. The children had a bedtime story called Squash & Squeeze on Monday, and we will looking at lots of different books throughout the week . These include Dear Zoo, Hungry caterpillar, Going on a Bear hunt and The Gruffalo. The children will also being taking part in activities linked to the books each day too.

Pre-school Outing 2018

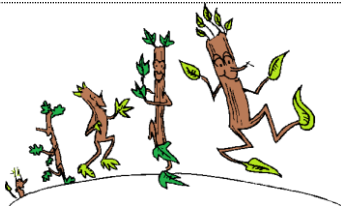


The pre-school team have decided to ask parents via a survey monkey where they would prefer to go this year. This will include a preferred day of the week too

Details to follow

Fees

Invoices for this half term (February to March) will be been sent out on Thursday 22nd Feb. All invoices for sessions up to the end of term should be **paid in full by 19th March at the latest**, unless you are on a payment plan. Just let us know if you wish to set up a payment plan/set monthly amount by direct debit. 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



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Tapestry

We have received training from an early year's advisory teacher, with tapestry and our planning. We will be observing the children for wow/significant moments. This means that you might receive an observation once a week, or once a fortnight. If you have any queries please speak to your child's keyperson.

Parent drop in sessions will be offered week beginning **26th March between 3.15pm and 4.15pm**. This is an opportunity for you to speak to your child's key person.

Parent consultations will be offered next term once reports have been written.

Please speak to your child's key person to arrange a drop in time- many thanks

We will be sending you end of term reports for your children towards the end of April. Because we don't have any way of seeing if you have received these we would appreciate it if you could just let us know in passing/over the phone/via e-mail – just so we know it's working and you are getting the information!

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.

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Clothing/Belongings



Please send your children to pre-school with warm coats, hats, gloves.

Wellington boots can also be brought in for going outside to play but aren't suitable to wear while inside so

PLEASE NAME ALL CLOTHING & BACK-PACKS & REMEMBER TO HAND ANY MEDICATION TO A MEMBER OF STAFF IN A NAMED BAG/CONTAINER

Illness



If your child is unwell please contact us and keep your child away to reduce the spread of germs.



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Especially sickness and diarrhea. Children should be clear for 48hrs before returning to preschool.

Session Times – Urgent Information

Please can we ask that you adhere to your child's session times. You must drop off and collect your child on time.

If you are going to be late picking up for reasons beyond your control we will understand, however, it is essential that you telephone the pre-school to let us know.

If you are unsure what time your child's session times are, please speak to us to confirm this.



If you are persistently late picking up, we may be forced to charge you for the extra time which of course we really don't want to do.

REMEMBER

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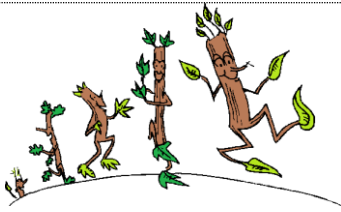
NUT FREE ZONE

So no nuts or peanut butter
In lunch boxes please



Remember

Do not obstruct driveways or park illegally along
Twiggs Lane



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Dates for your Diary

<p>Friday 29th March 2018 Pre-school closes for Easter * 2nd April - 13th April EASTER BREAK 2018 * Pre-school is back on Monday 16th April</p>	<p>Saturday 21st April 2018 Visit from Longdown activity farm for our farmyard themed fundraising fete Details to follow</p>
<p>Week beginning 5th March 2018 Mother's Day stay and play sessions Mon/Tues/Wed and Thurs</p>	<p>Friday 29th June 2018 INSET DAY</p>

Staff & Directors

Twiggs Lane Pre-school

Incorporated as a company limited by guarantee in England & Wales

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