

## June/July 2024

Hello everyone and welcome back. Hope you all had a lovely half term. I hope you find this newsletter helpful however please don't hesitate to ask if you have any queries or concerns. Some helpful information:

**OFSTED NUMBER:** (0300123 1231) can be found on the noticeboard, in the policy and procedures, the welcome pack and your child's learning journal.

**EMAILS:** If you need to let a member of staff know any important information for the same day (pick-ups etc) during your child's session, please ring pre-school on 01748 812825. Due to sessions being busy staff cannot guarantee emails will be checked.

**SELF-REGISTRATION BOARD:** please remember you are more than welcome to come into the setting on a morning to do the self registration board with your child. If you would like to do this please just let the member of staff on the door know.

**TOYS FROM HOME:** Please can toys from home be kept at home, in the car or your child's bag unless it's to support them as they settle into pre-school. It is causing a lot of upset for some children and some toys are getting broken/lost.

**END OF TERM CHATS:** Your keyperson will be in touch in the next few weeks to make an appointment to go through your child's end of term assessment. This includes leavers 2024 and children who are returning in September 2024.

**SCHOOL TRANSITIONS:** Most parents will be receiving dates for school visits. Your child's teacher may also want to come into the setting (we will notify you when they do) If your child misses out on hours/sessions due to their visit being on a day when they attend pre school unfortunately we can not book them in on other sessions.

**END OF TERM:** Pre school will close for end of term 11<sup>th</sup> July 5.30pm (an email was previously sent out regarding this) W/C 15<sup>th</sup> July pre-school will be SHUT. This is due to a non-funded week.

**LEAVERS 2024:** It was brought to our attention about children missing out on funded hours when we give our leavers a party on the last day of term. However after getting advice from North Yorkshire County Council and meetings with our chairperson/committee it has been agreed the leavers party will continue to go ahead. We enjoy giving our children a party and have done for many years, especially for them to experience a party and how we can come together and enjoy saying goodbye to them before they start the next part of their school journey. Therefore our leavers party will be on the 12<sup>th</sup> July this is only open to children who leave pre-school ready for Primary school and will be in the AM. More information to follow.

**SUN LOTION:** Please read the sun lotion policy on the notice board. If you apply all day lotion to your child please let a member of staff know. All children should have lotion applied at home before they start their session (staff will re apply after lunch if children stay all day)

**WALKS AROUND THE VILLAGE:** Now we finally have some warmer weather, we are enjoying walks around the village. Please make sure your child is wearing suitable footwear for them to take part. These walks can be spontaneous.

**QUESTIONAIRES:** Thank you for everyone who completed the questionnaire. We had some lovely comments. An action plan can be seen on the notice board in the entrance. If you would like a copy please let me know and I can email it over. A couple of families commented on spelling/ grammer in documents and through their childs learning journal as you can imagine to get every document/email/observation/policy etc proof read is very time consuming. Some staff within the setting have previously been diagnosed with dyslexia, support is in place for the staff members but at times you may expericnce spelling/grammer errors . Please be assured this does not affect how practitioners teach your child.

**DETAILS:** It is very important we have the correct details for you and your child. Please notify staff if there is a change of address, contact numbers, email address etc.

**RED/BLUE BAGS:** Please remember to check your child's pegs in case any bags need replenishing.

**NOTICES:** Please take time to read the notice board. You will find staff qualifications, stay and play information, holiday list, parent information and much more.

**KEYPERSON-** Please remember if you want to speak to your key person let her know. If she can't chat there and then she will make a time that suits you both. Usually, she will be available at the start and end of the sessions. It is very important that you share any information that will help ensure your child is happy and content in the setting.

**POLICIES AND PROCEDURES-** Just a reminder that all our Policies and Procedures are available from a link on our website or paper copies in the foyer. All parents sign to say that you have looked at them when completing each child's registration form.

**PARKING:** Please **DO NOT** park near the black railings when dropping/picking your child up. Please try and come into the parking area following the flow of traffic. (Straight over if passing the bus stop. First left if passing village hall) Please be mindful of your speed when approaching pre-school.

**SECOND HAND CLOTHING:** If you have any unwanted clothing from age 2-4 please pop it in our clothing box for other families to re-use. Please take time to have a look through and take what you would like.

**FEES** As of September 2024 a billing agreement will be put in place for all families to sign before they receive there childs bill. More information will follow soon.

**COMMITTEE:** As you know our preschool is committee run. This means parents are involved in making decisions about what happens in the setting. It is your preschool! If you would like to join the committee, please chat with myself or your key person.

**LEADERSHIP DROP-IN SESSION:** The leader (Becky Monaghan) is always available if you would like to chat in the setting, however to make even more time for our families to chat with the leader, you can come to the drop-in session which takes place in the hall. This is a great opportunity for you to discuss any concerns/issues or just to have a chat. Please feel free to drop in on the 25<sup>th</sup> June 9-11am. I look forward to seeing you.

**EMAILS:** If you require any information regarding funding, additional sessions, staying for tea and so on please email [scortonpreschool1@live.co.uk](mailto:scortonpreschool1@live.co.uk)

## IMPORTANT DATES:

Pre school re opens: 3<sup>rd</sup> June

3<sup>rd</sup> June World bike day, your child is more than welcome to bring their bike or scooter

10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> June Healthy eating week

16<sup>th</sup> June Fathers day

19<sup>th</sup> National Writing Day

25<sup>th</sup> June leadership drop in

W/C 8<sup>th</sup> July end of term theme days (more information to follow)

11<sup>th</sup> July END OF TERM

12<sup>th</sup> July LEAVERS PARTY (more information to follow)

I really hope I have covered everything! The most important thing is that you as parents are confident that your child is safe and happy! Please don't hesitate to ask if you want any more information or just a general chat. You can contact our chairperson at:

[kelliwallace04@outlook.com](mailto:kelliwallace04@outlook.com)

Becky and team