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Nursery News February 2020

Message from the Head of Federation

Happy February All! January seems to have rushed us by. It has been wonderful to get to know all of our new children and families and for new friendships to form. It has been fantastic in Orchard Nursery to see our children take such a keen interest in fire safety and I have been shown many times how to complete the stop, drop and roll! It has been great to hear so many of you share how the children are talking about their new fire safety learning at home with us. In Daisy Nursery over the last few weeks the children have been engaging in role play and the team have added fire role play resources into this area. The children have been using the water and brushes in the garden to clean all the windows and develop their gross motor skills. My office windows have never been so clean!

We hope that you have a lovely half term together and make many family memories.

Some reminders:

- Can we please ask that all children have appropriate clothes, footwear and a suitable coat for the colder weather. Also, can all children have a coat that has their **name** inside it!
- Please could we ask that **no sweets** are put into your child's lunch box as we like to promote healthy eating and good oral health.
- We welcome nursery contributions, we ask for a weekly donation of £1.50 or this may be paid on a termly basis. Please see the office for termly amounts. This enables us to look after our pets and buy extra resources.
- Please can we ask that all children have a bag of spare, **named**, clothes, including socks kept in their nursery bag on their peg please.

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you



Please remember to send in snack donations. These are really valued in both Daisy and Orchard

Parents, please could we ask that you remember to wait behind the wooden gate with Daisy Nursery children, until a member of the Daisy staff calls you up the path. This prevents use of the outdoor play equipment and resources before sessions begin or end, as we are not liable for accidents/incidents during these times. Thank you.

A Message from Barbara Charles, Our Family Support Worker:

Hello All,

I am doing a Bedworth Family Support Drop-In session on Friday 27th February 2020 1pm until 3pm. It would be lovely to see you.

Barbara

Keeping Everyone Safe - Some reminders:

- Please close all gates and doors behind you. This is to keep all of our children safe.
- Please do not park on the yellow zig zags outside Nursery. If the fire engine needs to attend an emergency to save a life and your car is in the way, they will move it by whatever means available!
- **Parking Reminder:** Please do not park near, or over, the fire hydrant located opposite our Nursery on the pavement area. It is illegal to do so, and you will incur a parking fine. 
- Please let us know, by phoning the Nursery or completing a slip from the office, if someone else will be collecting your child. Remember, we will not let your child go with someone we don't know or haven't been told is collecting your child. Passwords must be used.
- Please do use our BUGGY PARK (pushchairs, buggies etc. are not allowed in the Nursery building).

Dates for your Diary

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| Tuesday 10th February | - | Parent Consultations Week — New Starters in January only |
| Monday 17th February | - | Nursery closed : February Half Term Week |
| Monday 24th February | - | All children back at Nursery |
| Thursday 5th March | - | World Book Day! Details to be confirmed |
| Tuesday 10th March | - | New Parents Evening - (April 2020 Starters) |
| Monday 6th April | - | Easter Holidays |
| Monday 20th April | - | All children back at Nursery for start of Summer Term |
| Thursday 7th May | - | Nursery Closed : Nursery is a Polling Station on this day |
| Friday 8th May | - | May Bank Holiday - Don't be caught out, May Day is Friday! |

Please do let us know if your child is going to be absent from Nursery School - whether it is because of illness, family circumstances or holiday. Call **024 76364188** and leave an absence message or tell the reception staff.

IMPORTANT GREEN EXIT/ENTRY GATE NEWS!

DO NOT let anyone else's child follow you through the green gate.
ALWAYS close and bolt the gate behind you at all times.

If you follow these instructions it will help keep all of our children safe.

Thank you for your support with regards to putting your child's name on their coats, bags and lunchboxes.
Please remember to leave a bag with spare clothes on your child's peg, and to return any clothes we have sent your child home in.

We are always looking for volunteers—if you like to help out in the learning environments or do some carpentry work for us or maybe some gardening with the children. Please let either your Family Leader or Rachel in the office know.

Regular school attendance is important for the children to make relationships and learn. However, young children do become poorly, especially at this time of year, so please keep them at home if they are unwell. Thank you very much to everyone for co-operating in letting us know when your child can not attend. We are very grateful for the phone calls and messages. **Remember—with vomiting sickness and diarrhoea please give a clear 48 hours before sending your child back to nursery.** Thank you.



Important contact details

**Bedworth Heath Nursery School:
024 76364188**

Please have a look and like our Nursery Facebook page to receive information on the children's learning experiences.

Facebook - Bedworth Heath Maintained Nursery School and Warwickshire Teaching School.

IN THE EVENT OF EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS: THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE AND RADIO STATIONS WILL BROADCAST SCHOOL CLOSURES:
Free Radio 97 & 102.9 FM BBC www.warwickshire.gov.uk
Radio Coventry & Warwickshire 94.8 103.7 & 104 FM

Nursery

WELCOME BACK TO THE FIRST HALF OF OUR SPRING TERM!

This term we have been learning about SHAPE, FIREFIGHTERS and CHINESE NEW YEAR.

We started the term by learning about SHAPES around us. The children went on a shape hunt and identified shapes in the most unusual places. They then tallied how many they found in the garden.

Children in both Daisy and Orchard have really enjoyed learning about FIREFIGHTERS. They have been answering calls and rescuing cats from the trees in the garden! They have created their own fire engines from the blocks outdoors. Their paintings and drawings have been enhanced by the visit from the firemen and the fire engine. All the children had the chance to sit in the cab and use the fire hose. It was very exciting and photos can be seen on our Facebook page.

We are now celebrating CHINESE NEW YEAR, learning about the story and why each year is named after an animal. We are also sampling Chinese food and trying to eat it using chopsticks - not as easy as you'd think!

Our new starters have settled into Nursery life and have quickly become part of our community, making friends and enjoying all the experiences on offer.

WATER BOTTLES

At Nursery, we are helping the children to become as independent as possible. This includes encouraging children to put their own coats on, or use the toilet unaided. We have changed our Snack table routines and the children now use a cup to drink out of rather than a milk box and straw. Milk and water is always available. We would like to encourage all children to use a cup rather than a water beaker/ bottle that has been brought from home.

TECHNOLOGY SURVEY

Thank you for returning these promptly. If you still have yours to complete, then please return it as soon as possible. The information will be very useful when staff are tracking the children's progress.

ECO SCHOOLS

Thanks to all of you who have filled bottles to create bricks to make our raised allotment beds. Please ensure that the bottles are packed **tightly**. There is an example in the Reception area.

COMMUNITY PROJECT

Many of you shared stories of our community and the activities you took part in as a child, and that you still do, with your own children now! One parent loves to walk along the Black Bank, where the old rail track for the coal mine used to be. There is evidence of the history as you walk along. A map of the route has been put up in Reception for you to follow if you wish.

PROMOTING FUNDAMENTAL BRITISH VALUES IN OUR NURSERY

Fundamental British Values thread through all the areas of the Early Years (EYFS) curriculum that we teach the children. These include:

- Democracy
- the rule of law
- individual liberty
- mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith.

This term, we thought about the rule of the law and how to respond in an emergency by dialling 999 to call the emergency services.

Thank you for your co-operation and support. If you have any queries, please speak to a member of staff.

Carole