

Pre-School Post

Hello,

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely half term and by the sounds of news shared by the children you were able to get out and about enjoying the glorious weather with family and friends. We have looked at your tapestry entries and shared things brought in by the children, this has been lovely to hear the children's stories of their journeys and adventures, thank you.

Ice creams have been a key feature from these stories and so we have our very own ice cream parlour in Pre-school (colored playdough and wafer cornets) complete with order slips, colored sprinkles and scoops to encourage mathematical language such as how many, counting, size, and of course full and empty! We now have some interesting mixed flavors. We also made our own ice lollies.

One of the highlights this week has been the children writing letters or sending drawings to themselves, and posting them in the postbox. This has prompted many questions such as how does the postman get them out? Others have noticed the key hole, as well as if they are tall enough to reach the opening to post their letter. Please don't forget to share any pictures to Tapestry to help us complete the journey from pre-school to home!

Mrs. Evans

Pre-School Manager



Parent Consultations

With the pandemic over this past year, parent consultations have not been possible. Thank you for your patience during these challenging times. We are now in a position to offer virtual meets with your child's key worker. Your child will have an assessment on Tapestry at the beginning of July, following this you can book a consultation time slot, if you wish to discuss your child's learning and development. These are 10 minute slots and the timer will automatically close the meet. Please feel free to talk to staff about any other issues in the meantime or anything that will require longer time to discuss a different appointment time may be needed.



Dates for your diary

Thursday 15 th July 6pm – 8pm	Mrs Phillips, key worker consultations
Wednesday 21 st July 4:50pm-7pm	Mrs Carter, key worker consultations
Monday 19 th July 2 – 3:15pm	Leavers to visit year R
Tuesday 20 th July 2 – 3:15pm	Leavers to visit year R
Wednesday 21 st July 2 – 3:15pm	Leavers to visit year R
Thursday 22 nd July am	End of year /leavers celebration party in Pre-school (more details to follow)
Friday 23 rd July 1pm	Last day of term

School visits to year R

For those children who will be transitioning to Sprat and Winkle, if their visit coincides with their pre-school day we can happily transition them to year R for their visit. You will notice the finish time is at the end of the day, so you will need to collect your child on those days from Mrs Cooper, at the year R collection point which is the glass doors at the side of the school nearest the car park. This can be accessed via the small gate at the roundabout.

The sun is shining!

This is a gentle reminder to please ensure your child has sun protection on **BEFORE** they arrive at Pre-school. Staff will only reapply at lunchtime or otherwise as necessary (excessive water play etc) - we all have duty to protect children from the harmful sun rays.

Please also ensure your child has appropriate clothing to be able to freely play and explore including footwear. No crocs, flip flops, dressing up shoes or other pool shoes. We are always physically challenging ourselves in the meadow garden in long grass, mud, water play and more and pool shoes are a hazard whilst engaged in these activities. Trainers or doodles are great for their feet and easily washed.

We have spare sunhats for your child to use if they don't have one in Pre-school.

Tapestry

Thank you! So many of you are now adding your own entries, and we can see you are viewing our weekly updates. This really helps children with links from home and making our Pre-school class feel like a home from home learning experience. The children readily like to show pictures to their friends of what they have been up to and are now even asking each other to see pictures of a dad's tractor or a rope swing made by a big brother!

We add a whole group weekly entry for you to all see a snapshot of the fun and learning that's been happening, as well as individual entries for wow moments or personal pictures at the end of each month. There will be assessment entries placed regularly to keep track of your child's developments as they work their way through the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

Don't forget to give us a thumbs!

