



Pre-School Post

Hello,

Over the past fortnight we have had a great time getting down to some basic fun whilst encouraging some core skills. We called this our focus fortnight. A chance to revisit some essential skills needed as part of every child's early development.

We have made use of the obstacle equipment both in the pre-school garden and the school hall. Balancing along beams, jumping off equipment, throwing and catching quoits while using our listening ears to follow instructions. Yes they can do it if they focus and try!

Our attention inside has been to encourage all the children to find and independently put on their own belongings such as shoes, coats or find lunchboxes at the end of the day. We help those making great attempts independently first.

During meal times they independently find a cup, plate, and cutlery and they use this too, please don't let them trick you in to believing they need you for everything. We have some very independent and capable 2, 3 and 4 year olds cutting up food and pouring their own drinks. We are superheroes at Stockbridge!

In the art area the children have created some amazing bubble print pictures, the aim of this was to strengthen oral motor muscles whilst having lots of fun. Encouraging clarity of speech. It was especially funny to see their reaction when they looked in the mirror and saw their new multi coloured freckles after doing this activity. We hope you liked their pictures?

We have enjoyed group games such as lycra and parachute as well as singing and dancing.

Have a great half term, we'd love to see what you've been up to by you posting on DoJo. If we know what you've been doing, we can use it to help plan your child's provision next half term & settle them quickly back after half term.

Kerry Evans

Pre-school Manager

World Book Day

World book day this year is 3rd March 2022 – the day we return after half term. We will be incorporating this into a book and storytelling theme during our week back. We already have a number of children who have a love of books, and enjoy sitting and listening to a story - we would like to encourage more.

As part of this we would like to ask if anyone is willing to read a short story to the children in Pre-school. The children would love to hear different voices and readers. Each reader offers a different magical touch. You will be supported by a member of staff so don't worry we won't leave you to take the class! Let us know if you feel you can offer support with this.

Children are welcome to dress up of course on world book day (3rd March), and come as a character from their favorite story. Please DO NOT buy anything special (we appreciate these are costly and short lived) if you are short on time and creating one is not your thing please speak to a member of staff who can loan you something from pre-school.

Parent Evenings

Reminder parent evenings are Tuesday and Thursday 8th & 10th March, pre-bookable time slots are available.

An opportunity to chat up on your child's developments and any targets we hope to achieve in the near future.

This is a valuable time to catch up away from their little ears. Your child's spring term review is on Class Dojo, please take the time to read these.

Time sheets to book these parent evenings are out the front of pre-school entrance.

Forthcoming Diary Dates

Half term Week	21 st - 25 th February 2022
Inset Day staff training (no pre-school)	Monday 28 th February 2022
Inset day staff training (no pre-school)	Tuesday 1 st March 2022
World book (dress up) day	Thursday 3 rd March 2022
Parent evening	Tuesday 8 th March 2022
Parent evening	Thursday 10 th March 2022



Reminder
2 year checks need to be
returned to Pre-school.
Preferably before parent's
evening please.

Look at all the fun we have at Pre-school

