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Autumn Term Newsletter 1

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Summer break.

We have some exciting activities and events planned in our first term together, if you have any ideas that you would like to share, please let us know!



Our Themes and Topics this Autumn Term

Our themes for this term:

11th September – Water week

18th September – All about me/ My body

25th September – Jungle Safari

2nd October – Healthy teeth week

9th October – Egyptian week

16th October – Shapes and colours

After Half Term....

30th October – Autumn

6th November – Space week

13th November – Colour monster/emotions
(incorporating Kindness day)

20th November – Messy week

27th November – Under the sea

4th December to end of term Christmas

We encourage your children to bring in theme related items to share with their friends at group times. These could include stories.

Please make sure that anything brought in is clearly named.

Upcoming Events

Library Books

Library books start again Monday 11th September

News Time Dates

- Monday 18th September
- Tuesday 26th September
- Wednesday 4th October
- Thursday 12th October
- Friday 20th October

Please send in any news that your child would like to share. It could be somewhere or someone they have visited, a family celebration, an achievement, for example, a swimming certificate etc.

Primary School Applications

If your child is due to start primary school in September 2024 the deadline for applications is **15 January 2024**. For further information or to apply, visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions.

If you need assistance with your application, please speak to Julie.

Fund Raising

As a small charity we rely on donations from our pre-school friends and the local community. This year we are fundraising in order to make significant changes to our outside play areas. We have set up a 'go fund me' page to help with this. Any donations that you are able to make would be gratefully received and would help get us closer to our goal. If you or someone you know would like to make a donation, they can visit our go fund me page using the link below. A huge thank you to you all already, we are so grateful for all of your support, it allows us to continue our work for the community.

Click Here to Make a Donation: [Go Fund Me, Earith Pre-school 7](#)



Thank You!

Easyfundraising

The pre-school is registered with Easyfundraising, so you can raise FREE donations for us when you do your everyday online shopping. All you have to do is find the retailer you want to shop with on the Easyfundraising website or App, shop as usual and the retailer will donate to us when you make a purchase – at no extra cost to you!

This means you can support the pre-school when you do your grocery shopping, book holidays or days out, order takeaways, buy things for the kids, or even when you renew your insurance and energy policies.

It's easy and completely FREE. Just visit our Easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/earithps7/?invite=KKNKGJ&referral-campaign=c2s>

Tapestry and Facebook

Don't forget to check in with your child's Tapestry account for weekly updates on their pre-school activities. You can also follow us on Facebook for an overview of the weeks themes and to keep up to date on any changes or events.

If you are having any problems accessing your accounts please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff, we will be happy to help.

Staff News

At the end of the summer term we said cheerio to Claire, Gill & Kathryn.

We are happy to welcome Claire who will be joining us as a preschool assistant and Laura who will be a 1:1 support.

In other news.... Lesley has passed her Level 2 Early Years Practitioner qualification. Congratulations Lesley! All of that hard work finally paid off.

Useful Reminders.....

Illnesses

For any illness, please inform us by phone or email, if your child is unable to attend and remember that if your child has vomiting and/or diarrhoea, they must be clear of the symptoms for 48 hours before returning to pre-school. If we have not heard from you by 9.30am we will make contact via email or phone to ensure everything is ok.

Remember, if children have had Calpol and/ or have a temperature, they would be better staying at home and returning to pre-school once their symptoms have subsided.

Lunch Reminders:

Please do not put sweets in your children's lunchboxes, Also please be aware that we DO NOT allow nuts or nut products in the pre-school.

If your child has grapes, olives and/ or tomatoes in their lunch (all lovely additions), it is a good idea to cut these in half lengthways.

Naming Items:

Please make sure that all of your child's items are clearly labelled with their names. This includes, please, Lunchboxes, water bottles as well as items of clothing

Up to Date Information:

It is important that we have the most up to date information for families. Please inform us of any changes to medical conditions, addresses, or contact details.

Term Dates 2023-2024

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Autumn Term

Half Term- Monday 23th October to Friday 27th October 2023

Term Ends- Wednesday 20st December 2023

Christmas Holidays- Thursday 21nd December to Thursday 4th January

Spring Term 2024

Term Starts- Friday 5th January 2024

Half Term- Monday 19th February – Friday 23rd February 2024

Term Ends- Thursday 28th March 2024

Spring (Easter) Holiday- Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April 2024

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts- Tuesday 16th April 2024

May Day - Monday 6th May 2024

Half Term- Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Term Ends- Friday 19th July 2024

Funding and 30 hours entitlement

Depending on circumstances, some 3-4 year olds are entitled to 30 hours free childcare. If you think you might be eligible and are interested in applying, the link to the website is: <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>.

Pre-school Uniform

We do offer an optional uniform for the children to wear at Pre-school. We hold a small stock of polo shirts and sweatshirts which are available in different sizes. Please ask a member of staff for further details.

Our Outdoor Areas

We will still be spending lots of time outdoors and, now that the weather is changing, please send wellies and waterproof clothing in with your child. If you do not have a spare set to leave at pre-school we will be happy to send these home at the end of each session. Just let us know