



## NEWS LETTER From The Staff

Of Yateley Community Preschool

April 2019

Registered Charity No. 298231

We would like to welcome all our new families to Pre-School and hope you enjoy your time with us.

The idea of the staff news letter is to keep parents up to date with topics and interests planned over the forthcoming term and to feed back information about activities your children may have been involved in. Also from time to time we may have requests for help, this will vary from asking parents to help out with a particular topic or activity or simple tasks such as saving items needed for specific activities.

Last half term we covered the topics –Dinosaurs, People Who Help Us, Spring and Easter. Following the children's interests we have made playdoh, taken part in baking cakes, lots of painting, drama activities and much much more.

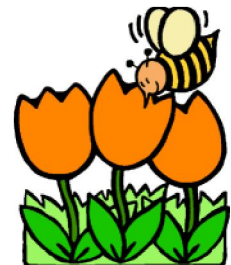
Our topics for this term are as follows:-

**Week commencing 23rd April – Science, technology and woodwork and children's interests, letter Yy and colour Pink Makaton 'Book'**

**Week commencing 29th April – Science, technology and woodwork and children's interests, letter Zz and colour blue Makaton 'Music'**

**Don't forget to pop along and support us at Yateley May Fayre on the green on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May. If you can spare an hour to help on the stall that would be great!**

**Week commencing Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May – Growing / Mini Beasts and children's interests, letter Aa/Bb and colour Orange and Makaton 'Look'**



We now have some tadpoles at preschool. The children really enjoy observing them and watch them turn into frogs.

If anyone has any tights that we can use for making Grass heads, please bring them in.

The children will be able to plant a sunflower seed and some cress. We will hold a sunflower height competition as it was a success last year. More information when they plant the seed.

**Week commencing 13th May - Growing / Mini Beasts and children's interests, letter Cc/Dd and colour Green. Makaton 'Listen'**

We will be planting Runner Beans this week to link into the story of the week – Jack and The Bean Stalk. If you could bring in a named jam jar that would be great thank you.

**Week commencing 20th May – Growing / Mini Beasts and children's interests, letter Ee/Ff and colour Pink Makaton 'Sit'**

**We will be making bottle gardens this week. If anyone sees any cheapish bedding plants please let us know. For this to be a success every child that wants to make one will need a bottle with a lid.**

**Half term will be the week commencing Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May**  
**Preschool will reopen on Monday 3rd June**

**Reminder**

A gentle reminder for those children that stay for lunch, please do not give the children fizzy drinks or sweets in their lunch boxes. Please make sure there are no nuts or eggs due to allergies. Thank you. As the weather becomes warmer, please make sure there is a cool pack inside the lunch box.

**T-shirts and sweatshirts**

Don't forget we have t-shirts for sale at £6 and sweatshirts for £12. These are useful items of clothing to have, as it doesn't matter if they get covered in paint or glue.

**Holidays (Just in case anyone is going away during this term)**

We have some beanie elephants at pre-school that love to travel. If anyone would like to borrow one for their holidays then let a member of staff know. All we ask is that you take a photo of your child with the elephant somewhere on your travels, we will then put the photo in our album so that the children can see all the different places that the elephants have visited. So far they have been all round Great Britain, Spain, Australia to name a few and one of them even flew on Concorde and cruised around Norway.

**Please let us know if you are going on holiday or your child is off sick, or absent for whatever reason even if just tired and having a day to rest. We need to keep an eye on absences and we code our register accordingly. You can ring 01252 861565 anytime and leave a message if we do not answer. Or email [manager@yateleypreschool.co.uk](mailto:manager@yateleypreschool.co.uk) or send a text to 07896247220. Thank you.**

**School starters September 2019**

As soon as you hear which school your child has been accepted into please let us know if you haven't already done so. It helps to arrange which days to invite the local reception teachers into pre-school to visit the children. Please let us know if you do NOT give us permission to talk about your child when the Reception teacher visits. It will be general information as to who their friends are to help allocate classes, whether they are a social child or shy etc....

**Finally, if you have any concerns about your child at pre-school or any queries, however trivial they may seem, please come in and speak to Jennie, Jackie, Debbie or your child's key person, your child's happiness is important to us.**