



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have made it to the end of another exciting term and we have most certainly ended on a high with our gorgeous little chicks. The children have learnt to be gentle, considerate, and brave when holding them. We have all loved having them with us the last 2 weeks.

This week we have enjoyed lots of Easter themed activities from painting chicks, making fluffy bunnies and painting with a carrot instead of a brush! The children practised their cutting skills while preparing lettuce for the Easter bunnies and worked on their fine motor skills weaving and using toothbrushes to wash the eggs. To reinforce counting and number recognition the children have fed the bunny some carrots and found numbers hidden inside eggs.

### Staff News

We have sadly said Goodbye to Kim, who has left to focus on her young family and prepare for the arrival of baby number 4 in August. There are currently 2 vacancies at the moment to work with our children who require additional support. In the meantime, we have one of our lovely mums helping out, Mary Minos. She has been a brilliant addition to the team and is eager to learn, play and get messy with the children.

We are now on our Easter 2 week break with preschool starting again on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April. Please make a note of the dates below, as we have a few closures for Bank Holidays and an Inset day. Thank you for all the lovely and yummy gifts we have received this week.

Have a wonderful Easter, we hope the Easter bunny visits with lots of yummy chocolates!



### Summer Term Invoices

- Email any changes to your hours so accurate invoices can be sent out e.g. moving from 12:30 – 2:30pm finish
- All children who currently finish at 2:00pm will now finish at 2:30pm
- Remember to confirm your 30 Hour Funding with Gov.uk
- **TODAY IS THE DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR 30 HOUR FUNDING FOR THE SUMMER TERM**

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-30-hours-free-childcare>

Happy Easter!



### September 2023

- Please can you let me know if you are due to stay in September and you would like to change your days **ASAP!**
- If your child is **not a school leaver** and you are leaving us in July please can you let me know.

**No need to let me know if your child is due to start school in September 23.**

### Dates to Remember

#### Summer Term

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Half term – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July

**Bank Holiday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

**INSET – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

**Weds 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day**

**Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> June – Farm Visit**

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> July – 12pm finish and Graduation Picnic**

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Staff this week have been focussing on their half termly assessments, so you will not receive an observation write up this week.