Monthly Newsletter - April 2025

Please read the following newsletter to keep up to date with upcoming events, Pre-School news and information about what the children have been up to!

Key dates for your diary

Ilkley Carnival – Monday 5th May (Pre-School closed) Half Term – Monday 26th May – Friday 30st May Trip to EmmandJay Care Home. – Thursday 5th June

I hope you all had a lovely Easter Holiday.

We had a wonderful time during our Easter Crafting Day and special Easter Egg Hunt on Tuesday 22nd April! The children had so much fun getting creative, and the Easter-shaped marshmallows were a sweet surprise that everyone enjoyed.

We're also excited to welcome four new children to our preschool family this term! They've settled in beautifully and have already been busy making new friends and joining in with all the fun activities.

There's even more excitement in our classroom—we have tadpoles! The children have been fascinated watching them grow and change, and they've been exploring lots of books to learn all about the tadpole lifecycle.



In May we will be...

Asking —. What do we need to grow strong? How do plants grow? How do animals grow? What do living things need to grow?

Reading - Billy's Bucket, Ten Seeds, Jack and the Beanstalk, Jaspers Beanstalk

Singing – Humpty Dumpty, Head shoulders Knees and Toes and If your healthy and you know it...

Exploring – We are busy watching our Tadpoles change and grow. We learning all about healthy eating—exploring different fruits and vegetables, talking about balanced meals, and discovering how good food helps our bodies grow strong and stay healthy.

Other News

The Sun has got his hat on!

As the weather starts to get warmer, we'd like to remind parents about our suncream policy and how we protect children from the sun during their time at Pre-School.

We follow the guidance from the World Health Organisation, which recommends that when the UV level reaches 3 or above, precautions should be taken to protect skin from sun damage.

With this in mind, we kindly ask that you:

- Apply suncream to your child before they arrive at Pre-School each day
- Know that we will reapply suncream after lunch
- We have suncream available at Pre-School, but if you would prefer us to use your own, please ensure it is clearly labelled and sent in.
- Please provide your child with a named sunhat

Thank you for your support in helping us keep the children safe in the sun!

Transition Visits

The older children now should all have confirmed their places for September. If you haven't already please can you let us know where your child is going in September. I will be starting the process of organising transition shortly.

A Big Thank You for Our New Mud Kitchen!

We'd like to say a huge thank you to one of our wonderful parents—and Burley Interiors—for kindly building us a brand-new, sturdier mud kitchen. Our old one had certainly seen better days, so this generous gift is very much appreciated! The children have already been having a fantastic time playing with it.

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Committee News



We'd like to wish the very best of luck to all the children taking part in the Carnival on Monday! Many of our staff will be along the route, cheering and waving as our lovely Pre-Schoolers pass by—we can't wait to see you all.

A special shout-out to two of our Pre-Schoolers who took part in the Carnival photoshoot—what fabulous outfitscould this be the start of a budding modelling career?

Thank you to Von for coordinating everyone.