

Welcome back to a new term at Pre-school. Our learning this half term focusses on ***Happiness & Health***





We will be creating a rainbow of healthy foods and learning to wash our hands in the best way. The children will make wellbeing bean socks and trying some yoga. We will celebrate Chinese New Year and talk about people we love on Valentine’s Day.

Our shared stories are Oliver’s Vegetables and Oliver’s Fruit Salad and we will make rainbow kebabs to enjoy for snack.

If your child has a favourite book about healthy food, do bring in for us to share.





Leah continues her lively music sessions on Mondays with songs, instruments, music and games.







We are looking forward to fun active sessions with RugbyTots and Ball Skills this half term.

 We will have another

Bag 2 School collection

On Wed 25 March so

keep collecting please.

Our last collection raised our biggest sum yet of £68. Many thanks for all donations. Full details of the organisation that operate the scheme can be found at <http://uk.bag2school.com/>

We will be holding parent chats in March but meanwhile please feel free to talk to your child’s key person about their learning and development at any time. We will always keep you informed should we have any concerns and we love to hear about their activities outside of Pre-school as well.

**Labels & Coats & Bags**

Please clearly **label everything** with your child’s name; especially coats, wellies, lunch boxes and drink bottles. There are lots of bottles without names.

**Bring a coat to EVERY session** as the weather is so unpredictable (coats are a lot easier to get on than all-in-ones).

**Bring a BAG with a change of clothes to EVERY session** so we can change your child should they get wet, muddy or have an accident.

**A Reminder of Pre-school Times:**

*drop off at 9.15am*

*collection at 3.15pm*

Please arrive at 9.15am. Late arrival can disrupt our morning circle time and unsettles some children. Thank you for your support.



Applications for Primary school places in Devon closes Wed 15 Jan 2020

It is vital you complete an application by the deadline.

If you have any queries speak to staff at Pre-school or ring the Admission help line on  [0345 155 1019](tel:03451551019)

You can apply online at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)



**DIARY DATES**

Mon 13 Jan **Music Seeds**

Mon 20 Jan **Music Seeds**

Mon 27 Jan **RugbyTots**

Fri 31 Jan **Ball Skills**

Mon 3 Feb **Music Seeds**

Wed 5 Feb **Plymtree Primary**

**School at 1.30pm**

Mon 10 Feb **Music Seeds**

Mon 24 Feb **Music Seeds**

Mon 2 Mar **RugbyTots**

Mon 9 Mar **Music Seeds**

Wed 11 Mar **Plymtree Primary**

**School at 1.30pm**

Mon 16 Mar **Music Seeds**

Wed 25 Mar **Bag2School**

**collection**

**Term dates 2019/20**

**Autumn**

Wed 4th Sep – Wed 18th Dec

**Half term 21st Oct – 25th Oct**

**Spring**

Mon 6th Jan – Fri 27th Mar

**Half term 17th Feb – 21st Feb**

**Summer**

Wed 15th Apr – Mon 20th Jul

**Half term 21st May – 29th May**

**Bank holiday Friday 8th of May preschool is closed**

**Term dates 2020/21**

**Autumn**

Mon 7th Sep – Wed 16th Dec

**Half term 26th Oct – 30th Oct**

**Spring**

Mon 4th Jan – Wed 31st Mar

**Half term 15th Feb – 19th Feb**

**Summer**

Mon 19th Apr – Wed 21st Jul

**Half term 31st May – 4th Jun**

**POLICY SNIPPETS**

A reminder of our

**Adverse Weather Policy**

* *Any decision to close Pre-school will be taken by the Chairperson at the earliest possible opportunity, taking into account weather forecasts, any issued Met Office warnings, local conditions and other local schools’ approach.*
* *Any closure of Pre-school will be notified by the Setting Manager to all parents by e-mail, where possible, via the Pre-school mobile telephone and via Social Media.*
* *No fees will be refunded to parents in the event of closure, regardless of whether a child is funded or not.*

Best wishes,

Clare, Elaine, Elaina, Angela & Ruth.