



## Spring Term Newsletter 2022

We would like to welcome all the children back and the new starters who have all settled well into their new classes.

The first half term has been a challenge due to staff absences. However, practitioners have been amazing and have pulled together to keep classes and rooms open by working extra shifts and long hours in order to cover colleagues. A big THANK YOU to everyone in school.

### F1 Parent Consultations

You will be invited to a parent consultation with your child's key person to discuss how they have settled in and how well they are progressing in nursery. The format of these meetings will be decided in due course and parents notified. Consultations will begin week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> March.

Dates and times to be arranged.

### 2-3s Provision Parent Consultations

You will be invited to a parent's consultation to discuss how well your child has settled in and how they are progressing. Consultations will begin week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> March. Letters will be sent out confirming dates and times.

### Leanimals F1 Visit

We have a visit from Leanimals on Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> March. Your children will have the opportunity to meet various animals, including a rabbit and a bearded dragon. Permission slips will be available from practitioners in class.



### Spring Term Activities 2-3s provision & F1 World book day – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

World book day is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Your child can come to school dressed as their favourite book character or in their pyjamas and bring their favourite story book from home.



### Attendance and Sickness F1 and 2-3s Provision

Please remember to ring nursery or 2-3's on the first day your child is absent. We can then record an authorised absence in the register. If we do not hear from you the absence is unauthorised. At the end of the school year your child will receive a record of achievement that will show how many school days were attended along with how many authorised and unauthorised absences were recorded. Research has shown that those children who access Early Years education often do better later on in life. Regular attendance is extremely important.

## INSET Dates

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

## Easter Raffle

Have a chance to win an Easter egg or Easter prize!

Raffle tickets will be on sale from the 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Tickets will be sold on the gate.



## F1 start times

After February half term we will revert to the use of the side gate for pick up and drop off. The exit gate will be closed and parents will enter and exit via the same route.

Please remember morning drop off is 8.30am. The gate will be closed at 8.45am. The gate will open again at 11.15am and will close at 11.30am which is the end of the session. Afternoon drop off is 12.30pm with the gate closing at 12.45pm. The gate will re-open at 3.15pm and close at the end of session 3.30pm. Please note that children coming to nursery late can cause disruption in class and your child misses valuable learning time. We would appreciate your cooperation in keeping to these times. **Please bear in mind that if you come to reception outside of these times there may not be a staff member available straight away.** Admin may be on the phone or speaking to another parent, and teachers are not always free to leave the children in class to collect a child from the main door. You may have to wait and your patience at these times would be greatly appreciated.

## Safety reminder

While dropping your child off please do not leave siblings unattended in vehicles.

May we also remind you that children should not play on the outdoor equipment while accompanying siblings at drop off or waiting for them at pick up time.

## Mobile phones

There are an increasing number of people actively using mobile phones when they are dropping off or collecting children. Drop off and pick up is significant for your child. Teachers or children may want to talk to you, but this is impossible if you are speaking to someone else. To make sure your child has your full attention, please do not use your phone on school grounds. This is a safeguarding issue and children will not be released from class if practitioners are aware that you are on the phone.

## Online safety

Children and young people spend a lot of time online or watching TV. It can be a great way for them to socialise, explore and have fun. However, children do also face risks like cyber bullying or seeing content that's inappropriate. Please supervise children and ensure they do not see content rated 18. Some films and TV programmes are not suitable for young children and can impact on well-being and behaviour. Here are some useful links to help parents keep their children safe:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting>

<https://www.rotherhampower.co.uk/parent-guides>

Holiday	Last Day of Term	First Day of Term
February Half Term	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
Easter	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
May Day	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2022
Spring Bank	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022
Summer	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	

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