# NEWSLETTER

#### **SPRING TERM 2024**

A very warm welcome to Layla, Alyssa, and Sophie.

Hope you all have had a lovely week off, refreshed and ready for term 4

That means we have completed half our year; our next term will be focused on ensuring our little acorns are fully prepared for school.

Many of them are beginning to hold their pencils correctly, forming recognisable letters and recalling events in their lives, seeing and pointing out numbers within the environment as well as learning songs and playing well with their peers, you should be proud parents.

This term we will be learning all about Dinosaurs and using them as a base for play and learning. Then we will move on to celebrating Mother's Day, Spring and Easter. The staff as ever will be planning some fun activities to inspire our days at Cabin.

## **Oral Health**

Charlotte will be planning an activity each term to help promote your child's well-being. This term she did an activity using the bottoms of an old pop bottle, the children used toothbrushes to clean off black marker marks, one little boy went home and was delighted to tell his Mum that Charlotte has new plastic teeth. We loved the feedback, please let us know if they say any funnies, we love to hear them.

Tooth brushes should be changed regularly, Please replace your child's toothbrush at Cabin regularly by sending in a new one at the beginning of terms 1,3 & 5.

Have you registered your child with a dentist, have they ever visited a dentist? If you need help finding a local dentist, please ask Jayne or Charlotte and we try and help locate one.

## Lunches

Sorry but we are not able to reheat or provide boiling water to add to food, hot lunches are available from AB Catering (Langtree school kitchen), and I can provide you with menus for anyone interested, we do have several children who enjoy this option.

#### PE

We hope to be able to use the school hall for PE this term, I will confirm a day once I have agreed with the Primary school, the children esp. those moving up to school will need a kit, loose-fitting shorts, a T-shirt, plimsolls and a bag, the main aim of the session will be to get used to organising their belongings in preparation for big school. They can leave the bag here all term, please ensure all items are labelled. Plus, some physical skills, balance, running, ball skills, crawling, jumping, dance.

#### **TERM 4\_ February**

## COMMITTEE

Our next meetings are:

Wed 6th March (Bingo Planning)

Wed 20th March

All parents are welcome to come find out how we run Cabin

# **Diary Dates**

19th Feb Start of Term 4

7th Mar World Book Day 8th March

Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

15th Mar Bingo Night

26th Mar Easter Bonnet Parade

28th March Last day of Term

15th April Start of Term 5

23rd April Parents Evening



Fruit / Veggies A reminder for all parents to provide one piece of fruit or veg per day. We still have enough biscuits/crackers. Thank you to all parents who have continually provided this.

Parent's Whats App Group Do you all know about this, would you like to be added?, Please email Jayne permission for your number to be added.

Waterproof Outdoor COats Lots of the children are keener to get out and messy, please feel free to send in waterproof trousers/all-in-ones if you have them, we do have some trousers and will encourage the children to use these. Otherwise please send in two sets of changes of clothes, the girls seem to like a change of outfits mid-day, any excuse!

School Gate Just a reminder that they close the gate at 0845, if you arrive at or just after please use the side gate by Cabin to drop off your child. Woodcote Primary School Gates open at 0835, if you have an early start, please use the side gate to drop off, if you drop off at 0845 please remember that some people pay for the early start, and we will open the door ready for you at 0845

World Book Day Thursday 7th March. Please dress your children up as their favourite characters and bring in their books, we will try and read as many as we can. Please no masks. ;

Mother's Day Afternoon Tea 8th March from 1400 all are welcome, even if your child is not here on this day. If anyone would like to contribute to some home-made cakes – the more the better. Please let Jayne know.

Easter Bonnet Parade 26th March from 1300 all are welcome, even if your child is not here on this day. A homemade hat parade will take place with a prizes for the best, followed by an egg hunt and a few games. Hope you all can join us.

Parents Evening . 23rd April between 7-8 pm . For all our little Acorns Parents (those moving up to school in September). This is an information evening and an opportunity for you to ask questions. I will invite Woodcote Primary's reception teacher's to join us.

**Bucklebury** Farm 19th July. More information to follow closer to the date. We will ask you to make your own way to the park, I am sure you can arrange some lifts share using the what's app group. It seemed to work well last year. Cabin have secured a donation from the Woodcote Rally covering the cost for the children. We be asking parents for £12 to cover their entry.

### Information Reminders

<u>Absence</u> – You do not need permission to miss a session at Cabin, however we have a safeguarding policy to check a child welfare in instances of unexpected absence so please let us know if your child will be absent.

<u>Early Starts & Late Stays</u> – Please book 24 hours in advance to ensure we have staff and plans in place. Obviously, if you have an emergency we will try and help as much as possible.

<u>Shoes</u> – We like to children to feel Cabin is like home, so please provide a clean pair of shoes or slippers for your child to change into on arrival.

<u>Parking</u> – We only have pedestrian access through Langtree School carpark. Please find safe parking around the village hall, ensuring emergency access is maintained.

<u>Allergies</u> – Please no items with nuts or sesame seeds. Also if providing birthday treats please supply a list of ingredients

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