



NEWSLETTER



NOTICE

A Message from the Head of Pre-Prep

The children in Pre-Prep have had another amazing week in and out of the classroom, learning and playing with their friends. The weather has allowed us to utilise our amazing outdoor areas and to observe the signs of autumn. I would just like to remind parents to bring in hats and coats as the weather is likely to change quickly over the next few weeks.

The clubs and activities before and after school have gone smoothly this week, with children enjoying a wide range of extra-curricular activities. Mrs Kincaid is now going to be offering Creative Dance sessions on Monday afternoons for Reception and Pre-School. If your child would like to participate please let us know.

As you know, we are continuously reviewing the processes and procedures, and due to the support and efficiency of all parents at drop off time, we are now in the position to welcome all children in from 8:30am. However, it is important to observe 2m social distancing and for all adults to wear masks. Also, be mindful of where you park, as the yellow line markings are for families to line up and are not parking bays. We appreciate your support and cooperation in maintaining social distancing and following all our procedures and the lines and footprints which are there for your safety. We are trying to minimise any inconvenience where we can, however our priority has to be the safety of all the children, their families and staff.

- Mr Jory

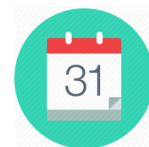
RECEPTION

SIGNS OF THE SEASONS

Reception have been for an autumn walk to search for signs of the season changing. They all had a partner to work with and collected lots of brilliant things. The children will be using these things to support their learning in class. Everyone had a lovely time and was so happy the sun was shining.



DIARY



SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

Swimming

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 - 1.15pm

FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

Harvest Celebration

This year we will be recording our Harvest Celebration, which will be sent to all families. We are collecting for the Food Bank and welcome all donations, preferably boxed. Please bring in by Friday 25 and place on table at drop off time in the mornings.

Exeat Weekend

School ends 3.15 pm. No clubs.

CLUBS

HORSE RIDING

The Pre-Prep riders had an amazing first session. Everyone started to learn to ride, put on a head collar and lead rope and walk the ponies slowly. Thank you to Shannon for teaching us and Becky for helping us. We all want to do it again everyday!



TADPOLES

BUG HUNTING

This week, the Tadpoles have been learning all about bugs. They experimented with pretend bugs during circle time and the children realised that the magnifying glass made them look bigger. The class soon had on their welly boots and went to explore outside. They found ants, spider webs and lots of wood lice. During the bug hunt the children couldn't resist playing in the freshly fallen autumn leaves!



YEAR 1

BRILLIANT BRAINS

What busy brains Year 1 have! The children have made paper brains, showing how their neurones link together to send messages. They have found out that the brain has two hemispheres and that it sends and receives messages, to and from all of their body. The mysterious Professor Spark has continued to set the children brain challenges this week, which they have really enjoyed.



DANCE CLASSES

We have a few spaces left in our Pre-School Creative Dance class and reception Ballet class. An introduction to moving and listening to music for the younger ones and beginning to learn the fundamental movement skills for Reception children, with a few movement and music games along the way! You can still sign up on SOCS via the Parent Portal.

YEAR 2

BACK TO NATURE

Year 2 had a wonderful time in the orchard on Friday. They collected over 1kg of blackberries ready for the Blackberry and Apple Crumbles on Wednesday. Whilst in the orchard, the children found sloes, apples, mistletoe and hawthorn berries.

Here are some quotes from the session, "Isn't nature beautiful." "I love picking blackberries" and "Forest School is really fun"!



FROGS

SCARY MONSTERS

It's been very exciting in the Frog room this week, as the children are beginning to learn their sounds. The first sound is 'M', which made them laugh as it made their lips tickle! The children thought of lots of things which began with the sound and then chose to make a monster face. The children designed their frame, then had to tear strips of paper, which was quite tricky and decorated their monster faces. There was a real variety of monsters; some were scary, some were a little bit scary and some were glittery!



MINIS NEWS



MINI FOREST EXPLORERS

The Minis have had a brilliant first week back playing in the Pre-Prep Forest School. It was wonderful to welcome all the new Minis and to see our old Minis back for another term of fun! There were lots of exciting activities, including a conker rolling area, bug hunting and the mud kitchen potion-making area. The Minis really enjoyed making snails and hedgehogs out of clay and collecting leaves to design their own woodland inspired people. Lots of fun had by all.

