



Newsletter
Summer Term 1st Half
April - May 2022

Welcome back to Pre-School. We hope you had a good break and enjoyed some of the beautiful spring weather. We have noticed that the children seem interested in buildings and construction, so this half term we are going to be looking at homes, habitats and buildings. We also plan to introduce a royal flavour to our activities as we near the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Our weekly focus topics include:

w/c 19th and 25th April: Homes and buildings

w/c 3rd May: Architecture

w/c 9th May: Local environment and London

w/c 16th May: Maps and directions

w/c 23rd May: Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Help Please!

We are planning some activities using **gift bags** over the next few weeks. If you have any spare, please would you bring them in as soon as possible.

We are also looking for donations of (clean) **containers and boxes** of all shapes and sizes in advance of our Architecture week. Donations of by **Friday 29th April** please.

Thank you so much for your donations during the sponsored colours day and at the coffee morning at the end of term. The money has been used to buy a new water play tray. Remaining sums will go towards the summer activities. The sponsored day raised around £245 and the coffee morning £115

Summer Term Clothing and Activities: please remember to label your child's coat, sunhat etc. This term we also increase outside activities. When it is sunny, please apply sun cream to your child before they come in. We also provide additional water play and other sensory/messy play. Please keep your child's change bag topped up.



Jubilee! We will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in the last week of half term. On **Friday 27th May**, All parents are invited to come into Preschool at **11.00am** for a **royal**

garden party. For that event, children and grown-ups are encouraged to come in wearing something royal; red, white and blue; or an outfit fit for a garden party. Please don't buy anything new. Pictures will be taken! Children who do not usually attend on a Friday will be welcome to come in for the session. Further details will be shared nearer the time.

Facebook Parent's Group: if you have not yet done so, please join the closed Facebook Group for parents. We post weekly updates and information on the group and it is a good way to keep in touch. Follow this link to join: [\(10\) Handsworth Pre-School Parents Page | Facebook](#)

COVID Update: In line with our healthcare policy, if your child is unwell, please keep them at home. If your child does test positive for COVID-19 please keep them at home for at least three days. They can then return to Preschool if they are well enough and they do not have a high temperature.

Committee Events:

Committee meeting: Wednesday 4th May, 8pm, venue tbc. Everyone welcome.

Preschool Fete: the Fete returns after a two year absence! It will take place on **Saturday 21st May 11am – 2pm**. Further information to follow.

Future Events: We usually have a number of events in the second half of the summer term to mark the end of the academic year. Further details will follow, but at this stage you may wish to put in your diaries:

- **Friday 24th June:** Parent consultations
- **Thursday 21st July** (last day of term): Graduation

We are also planning a special activity day towards the end of term; a Commonwealth Games week; and a stay and play for the men in your child's life.

For children who are leaving, we will also publish next half term details of how and when you will be able to download your child's Learning Journal from Tapestry.

Diary Dates (this half term):

Half Term finishes: Friday 27th May, 12 noon.

Second Half Term starts: Tuesday 7th June, 9.00 am

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