



**Newsletter**  
**Summer Term 2<sup>nd</sup> Half**  
**June-July 2022**

Welcome back to Pre-School. We hope you had a good break and enjoyed some festivities around the Jubilee. This half term we're thinking about our senses – as well as preparing some celebrations for the end of the year. Our weekly focus topics include:

w/c 7<sup>th</sup> June: Sight

w/c 13<sup>th</sup> June: Taste

w/c 20<sup>th</sup> June: Hearing

w/c 27<sup>th</sup> June: Touch

w/c 4<sup>th</sup> July: Movement (Vestibular)/Commonwealth Games week

11<sup>th</sup> July: Smell

18<sup>th</sup> July: Our fantastic selves

**A Super-Massive THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed to the Summer Fair on 21<sup>st</sup> May. It was a fabulous event and raised just over £1000! We think this is a record for the Pre-School Fair. Thank you all, so much. We will be busy spending the money on new resources.

**Staffing Update:** we're delighted to welcome back Gemma, following her maternity leave. Amarilda is staying with us to the end of term. There are no changes to key working arrangements.

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

**Instagram:** the Pre-School now has an Instagram account. Please find and follow us at [handsworthp.s\\_hp](#). This is a public group and you're welcome to continue to follow us after your child leaves.

**Promoting the Pre-School:** please 'like' and 'share' our public Facebook Page [Handsworth Pre-School Page | Facebook](#) and Instagram account with your friends, family and anyone who knows you... Most people find out about Pre-School through word of mouth, so if you share our information it promotes the Pre-School and keeps us in peoples' minds.

**Marvellous Men – Calling all Dads, Grandads, Uncles...** You are welcome to stay and play on either **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> or Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June** as part of our celebration of Father's Day. Please email [info@handsworthpreschool.co.uk](mailto:info@handsworthpreschool.co.uk) by 5pm on Tuesday

14<sup>th</sup> June to let us know which date you will attend. One adult per child per day, please.

**Parent Consultations:** these will take place on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June**. There will be **no usual session** in the hall that day. Please email [info@handsworthpreschool.co.uk](mailto:info@handsworthpreschool.co.uk) by **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** to make an appointment with your key person. These meetings give you an opportunity to chat through your child's progress at Pre-School and to discuss transition to school/a new setting as appropriate.

In advance of the Parent Consultations **end of year summary reports** for all children will be published on Tapestry w/c 20<sup>th</sup> June. Your child's key person will talk through these reports. For children leaving Pre-School, these reports will be shared with the new setting. You have an opportunity to comment on the reports on Tapestry before and after the meetings.

**End of Year Celebrations and Events**

On **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**, there will be a short event to mark the conclusion of the Pre-School Commonwealth Games. More details to follow nearer the time.

On **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July**, **Little Legs Party Bus** will be paying us a visit. If you would like to find out more about Little Legs, the link is here: [Home \(littlelegsbuses.com\)](http://littlelegsbuses.com)

On **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**, we will be marking the children's graduation to school, to a new setting or to returning as a Pre-School role-model. There will be a short event towards the end of the session. More details to follow.

All children are welcome even if the event takes place on a day they don't usually attend.

**End of Year Questionnaires:** we will be issuing end of year questionnaires at the **beginning of July**. This year, the questionnaire will be online, so you can fill it in from any device! Please look out for the link which we will email to you.

**Learning Journals for children leaving:** these will be available for you to download from Tapestry towards the end of term. We will confirm timescales and arrangements a bit nearer the time.

**Diary Dates:**

**Committee meeting: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July, 8pm**, venue tbc. Everyone welcome.

**Term finishes:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 12 noon.

**Pre-School reopens for returning children:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 9.00 am



**Keeping in Touch:**

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