



April Newsletter 2019 – Term 4

It's so lovely to see Spring arriving all around us! The children have been enjoying being outside in the sun, even though there is still a chilly feel in the air. The children have all been exploring eggs over the last two weeks. They have been finding out about what we can use eggs for, their link to Easter and what might hatch out of them! We have all been waiting with increasing impatience to see if the eggs in our incubator will hatch...no luck yet! However, we hope there will be chicks for the children to see one way or another when they return from the Easter break!

We hope you all have a great Easter break, look out for those signs of Spring with your children when you are out and about over the next two weeks. We would love to know what you have all found, so if you take photos of your children please bring them in so we can add them to their Learning Diaries.

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Acting Headteacher*

Dates for your diary



Friday 5th April: Last day of term, school closes at 11.45am. No afternoon session

Tuesday 23rd April: Inset day, whole school closed.

Wednesday 24th April: Term 5 begins

Friday 3rd May: Whole School Trip

Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday Monday, whole school closed.

Friday 24th May: End of Term 5



Spare Wellies

We are looking for donations of spare wellies, if you have any spare please hand them in to reception. We would be grateful!

Eggs

This term we have been awaiting the hatching of our chicks, which have been incubating in Mandy's office.

The children have been enjoy visiting the incubator each day and guessing what is inside the eggs. One child said 'I think its cooked eggs' and another thinks 'it's a tiger'. It's lovely to hear the children's ideas and we are looking forward to showing them what is actually inside!

We are expecting the chicks to hatch any day now; we will keep you informed over the Easter Holidays!



Children finishing at 2.45pm

If your child finishes school at 2.45pm please note that as part of our Safeguarding Procedures we will not be letting parents through into the school from reception until 2.40pm. If you arrive before this time you will be asked to wait in the reception area. If you have a specific reason to pick your child up early either every day or as a one off please discuss this with your child's class teacher in good time and before the day. The class teacher will give reception staff the name of any parent/carer who has arranged with the teacher to pick up early.

Whole School Trip



As you are aware, we are going on a whole school trip on Friday 3rd May. If you have indicated that you would like to go on the coach, please pay £12 for you/your child's seat to secure your seats. If you no longer wish to attend/go on the coach please let the office know. The whole school will be closed on this date as all staff will be attending.



Term Dates

Please note the Term 5 start dates previously issued were incorrect. Children will be returning for Term 5 on Wednesday 24th April (Tuesday 23rd April 2019 is an Inset Day and the school is closed).



Cake Sale Results

Thank you to everyone who donated and bought cakes from our Cake Sale on Wednesday. We raised £56.10p!

Forest School

The children from Yellow Room have been visiting Forest School this term and have been taking lots of photos to share with you. If you would like to volunteer during your child's Forest School trip, then please let your child's teacher know. Each classroom has their own page on our website which shares their latest news, photos and learning!

Visit www.stwerburghs.com to read more.



Collecting for Woodwork

Children are really enjoying woodwork this term but we do need extra resources to help us make our creations. Please can you collect any milk bottle lids, drink lids, buttons or beads and give them to your class team. Thank you!

Bristol Half Marathon

Please join us and run/jog/walk the Bristol 10k on Sunday 5th May 2019.

Bristol Nursery School Alliance are joining forces to join in with this amazing event and use it to bring more awareness to the plight of Nursery Schools and the possible closure of them following the Government vote in 2020. We really appreciate that so many of you signed the petition asking for a debate on this issue in the House of Commons but we must keep up this pressure!

All of the Nursery Headteachers, lots of staff and as many parent/carers as possible are joining in with the Great Run, Bristol 10k. We plan to complete the distance with banners and leaflets and make the most of a captive audience! If you are ready to take up the challenge, please go onto the Bristol 10k website and sign up. Please let us know when you sign up, that way we can keep you in touch about where to meet on the day. The plan is to start together. You are more than welcome to complete it at your own pace, but please feel assured that there are plenty of people choosing to walk so you will be supported every step of the way! If you can't join us in the marathon, please come to cheer us on!

The website to visit is <https://www.greatrun.org/great-bristol-10k> for more information.

NAHT Rally

On Monday 11th March, Mandy attended the rally in London to support NAHT along with other local Nursery School Headteachers. NAHT is working with Early Education and the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Maintained Nursery Schools, Nursery and Reception Classes to campaign for funding to secure the future of our maintained nursery schools. They organised an afternoon of action in London to make politicians aware of the important role that maintained nursery schools play and the perilous situation they are facing going forward. Headteachers joined MP's in the House of Commons and then attended a march on Downing Street where they presented the chancellor with a letter from maintained nursery schools.



Red Nose Day Results

Thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief last Friday, we raised £48!

