

CHERITON BISHOP PRE-SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 2nd HALF SUMMER TERM 2025



Our new planning alongside the reception class will continue in two weekly blocks with some of the daily provision being based around the following topic books -

Week 1 'Sam Plants a Sunflower' By Kate Perry & Axel Scheffler.

Week 2 & 3 The Ugly Vegetables by Grace Lin

Week 4 & 5 The Big Book of Bugs by Yuval Zommer

Week 6 & 7 The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by Ronda and David Armitage

We will of course continue to encourage play based around the children's interests too and all will be age/stage appropriate.

DEVELOPING INDEPENDENCE & SCHOOL READINESS. Moving forward this term we will be continuing to focus on practising pencil grips where necessary and when appropriate practising writing our names. If practising at home, please remember that capital letters are only used for the first letter in names. The children should be learning to write lower case letters in every other instance. Alongside this we will be particularly encouraging independence in the toilet and supporting the children to practise putting on and off their shoes and coats/clothes etc.

SNACK DONATIONS. We have a lot of children so are getting through a lot of snacks! We would very much appreciate any donations of crackers, sweet plain biscuits, cheese or dried fruit. If everyone could please donate one packet we should then have enough to see us through to the end of term. (If you have recently donated please ignore this message).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Transition days at Cheriton Bishop

Friday 13th June, 1.30 – 3pm.

Friday 27th June, 1.30 – 3pm.

Friday 11th July, 1.30 – 3pm.

Wednesday 2nd July – whole school sports day. More details to follow.

Thursday 10th July – reserve sports day.

Monday 14th July – Preschool trip to Drake's farm. This will be a government funded trip. We will be asking parents/carers to drop off and pick up from Drakes. Children will not need to be accompanied. Timings will be confirmed nearer the day, but it will likely be a staggered drop off 9 – 9.30am. Pick up 2.45 - 3pm from Drakes. This trip is open to all, not just for those who are normally in on a Monday. Our group will have sole use of the farm site throughout the day. More details to follow so watch this space.

Monday 21st July – leavers celebration, 3pm. If your child isn't normally in on a Monday your child would still be very welcome to come along and join in. All leavers will be presented with a certificate and framed handprints.

Tuesday 22nd July - Last day of term.

Parent's evening and reports. Date and time to be confirmed. Reports will be sent out prior to parents evening and will probably be on a Monday after school towards the end of June. If you are not able to make the date when agreed, staff will try and fit you in at the beginning or towards the end of a session.

OUR LENDING BOOKS & TOY SACKS CONTINUE! It's been great to see how many children have been taking home our lending books and toy sacks. Please speak to a member of staff if you would like to take home a toy sack. Books will be sent home as soon as the previous one has been returned. Please let a staff member know that your child has a book in their bag to be returned.

SCHOOL DINNERS – Please note we are a nut free school! Please do not send your child in with anything containing nuts. We will continue to offer the option of ordering a cooked school dinner for your child. Orders need to be paid for online by the end of Wednesday evening for the following week. Also, please remember to cut all grapes in half.

***Please speak to us if you have any suggestions, comments or concerns regarding preschool.**

Contact numbers - Pre-school landline – 01647 24314 (Pre-school hours only)

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