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Summer Dates 2nd Half

Key dates

Friday 17th June - Father's day morning

Thursday 7th July - Eureka Trip for preschool leavers - preschool is closed all day to all other children

Friday 15th July - Graduation afternoon - preschool closes to all children who are not attending graduation at 12 noon.

Friday 22nd July - Preschool closes for the summer

Tuesday 6th September - Preschool opens to exsiting preschool children, new starters will transition in w/c 12th September over a 2 week period

Welcome back after the half term break, we hope you all enjoyed the Jubilee celebrations and are all ready for the busy final term before summer.

Topics

Our main topic over the next couple of weeks will be focused on summer, holidays and under the sea. As we prepare to say good bye to our preschool leavers we will be doing more focussed work with them to prepare them for their transition to school. School readiness is such an important part of a child's development and as parents/carers you can also encourage children at home with their independence such as dressing themselves, putting coats on, personal hygiene etc. School transitions usually start in this term and your child's school should be in touch to arrange these with you.

Father's day morning

For Father's day this year we are hosting a Father's day morning, on Friday 17th June at the cricket pitch in Cowling (weather permitting), we would like to invite all our lovely Dad's to join us to participate in our sports day events. Dan at The Bayhorse will be bringing bacon sandwiches down for all Dad's attending, please speak to a member of staff if you have any dietary requirements. Tickets are still



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available at a cost of £2, please speak to a member of staff if you require any. The session will commence at 10am until 11 am. We hope to see lots of Dads come along to enjoy this lovely morning, Mums or Grandparents are welcome if dad's are not available. If the weather is against us we will hold the event in the village hall.

Tapestry

All children will have an end of term report available on tapestry before we break for the summer holidays. Preschool leavers will be able to download your child's learning journal at the end of term.

Availability

Please can all children who are staying with us in September ensure that you have confirmed your hours with Vicky as places are filling up fast.

Kanga sports

Kanga sports will be continuing this term every Monday in the main hall. Please ensure your child wears suitable shoes for Kanga.

Belongings

Please can all children's coats, bags etc be labelled. It can take time for staff to work out whose coat/bag belongs to which child and would just make life a little easier when going to play outside.

Sunhats will be required as the better weather approaches us (fingers crossed). Please can we also ask if possible if on sunny day's children have already had suncream applied at home, we do appreciate morning's can be extremely busy for parents/carers but applying suncream to 22 children can be time consuming and we do want to enjoy the sunny days as much as possible. We do have some sensitive suncream at preschool to apply in an afternoon, if your child requires their own suncream due to allergies please inform a member of staff and send a named bottle in their preschool bag.

We do seem to be seeing high volume of toy's from home been brought into preschool. Please can you try limit this as children are getting distressed when toys go missing or other children want to play with them. As you can all appreciate sometimes looking for toys especially tiny ones at the end of the day can be like looking for a needle in a haystack !



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Holidays

In a change to our policy as of September the 2 week holiday entitlement will be removed from Cowling Preschool. If you choose to take your child on holiday in term time this will still be chargeable. Obviously this was a difficult decision to make but as we are only a term time setting and we still would have the same staffing in we have removed the 2 week entitlement. Obviously we have looked at other settings in the area to see what their policy's are and this seems to be the norm.

Uniform

If any preschool leavers would like to donate their old preschool uniforms at the end of term we will then hold a sale for new or existing parents to purchase these at a reduced price, all funds will go towards resources for the setting.

Parents Consultations

We will be arranging for the preschool leavers an opportunity to come in and have a 5 minute chat with your child's keyworker before the end of term. Information will follow via Class Dojo.

Class Dojo

We hope you have all accessed Class Dojo and are familiar with how this works. This is now our main method of communication with parents/carers. If you are having any issues accessing this, please speak to a member of staff. Please can we ask that if your child is absent from preschool due to illness or for any other reason that you do phone and let us know on 01535 635068 or alternatively you can send a private message via Class Dojo.

Finally we would like to wish our preschool leavers all the best for their next step of their journey to school. We hope you all have a lovely summer and we will welcome back all our children new and old in September.

We break up for the end of term on **Friday 22nd July 2022** and return on **Tuesday 6th September 2022**.