**June Newsletter 2023**

Hello everyone!

Hope you all have had a lovely break and enjoyed the sunshine.

Well, I cannot believe we are in our last half term! Where has this year gone? The children have all grown so much, in confidence and gained so much independence. This half term is going to be our busiest one of the year.

We will be preparing the pre-school children for transitioning to school and some of the Squirrel children to pre-school room.

There will be graduation photos for the pre-school children (information below) and a party.

**Squirrel Room**:

This half term the Squirrel room is reading “The Very Hungry Caterpillar”. The children will be learning all about the life cycle of a butterfly. Healthy eating and the importance of brushing our teeth. We also have live caterpillars staying with us. I’m sure the children will enjoy watching them grow and changed into beautiful butterflies.

**Penguin Room**:

This half term the penguin room is reading “Hand’s Surprise”. The children will be learning all about Africa, animals from Africa and healthy eating.

All children across the setting will get the opportunity to try lots of lovely, yummy, colourful fruits from both the stories.

**IMPORTANT**:

Hopefully we will continue to see some glorious sunshine. Please can you ensure your child has sun lotion applied before coming in. Dressed appropriately for the weather. When the weather is warm we suggest a loose cotton top that covers the shoulders, loose cotton shorts or trousers. If your child is to wear sandals, please put a pair of socks on. Please try and not send your child in thick joggers. These are hot to wear and does not help your child to cool down. If possible, please can you supply a bottle of sun lotion SPF 50 for your child, to leave at nursery. We will re-apply sun lotion at lunch time.

We will be having lots more water play outdoors, can you ensure your child has a change of clothes with them. A named water bottled and sunhat. Thank you

**PARKING/School Collection:** Please refrain from parking on school site, parking is for staff members across the school site **ONLY**. This helps to keep the carpark free from congestion and children safe. Please can you stick to the footpaths with your child/children, we have noticed recently that a lot of parents are crossing through the carpark. This is very dangerous, as staff may not see a child when reversing out. Also by sticking to the footpaths it helps to teach your child/children how to stay safe around traffic.

We have been informed by the Junior School that some parents are accessing the Junior playground, at the end of the day, via our side gate. Please can you refrain from using this gate, as staff have done their shut down checks. All parents/carers are to leave the site immediately via the big green gate, once they have collected their child. Please can you also not allow your child to climb/use any equipment in the garden at the beginning and end of the day. This is to ensure your child is kept safe and also the equipment has cost us a lot of money.

**IMPORTANT DATES**:

Pre-school graduation photos will take place on Thursday 22nd June between 10am-12pm.

There will be individual and a whole class photos. If your pre-school child is not due in on Thursday morning and you wish for them to have their photo taken, please bring them in for 10am and you must stay with your child.

Pre-school party: more information will be sent nearer the time.

END OF YEAR: Pre-school children will have their end of year school transitions reports ready for you to read and sign. This is classed as a legal document so we do require a signature/permission for these to be forward to your child’s new Primary/Infant school.

Penguin staff will let you know when these are ready for signing.

We officially break up for the summer holidays on Tuesday 25th July and return on Tuesday 5th September 2023. We will be answering emails during the summer holidays, if you have any enquires.