



DEAR PARENTS

SPRING TERM 4 MARCH 2019

You can find our Dear Parents letter on our indoor and outdoor noticeboard and also under the Nursery tab on our website. We send our letters out via email unless you request a paper copy.

The children are thoroughly enjoying all our nature based learning. They are fascinated by our frog spawn and enjoying exploring signs of spring.

Our younger children are benefiting from all our shared experiences and are becoming keen communicators and book enthusiasts, which is lovely to see.

Our 'Rising Fives' talk for writing this term is based on the Little Red Hen and they have impressed us so much with their story recall. Alongside this we are exploring with them one less and subtraction and helping them become more tuned into sounds in words.

Dates for the diary

Monday 1st April Spring nature garden walk (around the local area) This will take place in the afternoon, more details to follow

Tuesday 2nd April Pop in and Play 2pm-3pm

Thursday 4th April Last day of term for children

Friday 5th April INSET day

Tuesday 23rd April First day back of summer term

Recent Rhymes

We recognise the valuable role singing action songs and rhymes plays in supporting young children with their communication skills and then later in early phonics.

These are the rhymes we have added to our nursery song book over the last few weeks.

5 Little Ducks went swimming

5 Green Speckled Frogs

5 Little Daffodils

Full verses will be sent with email, on notice board or you can request a paper version. **Happy Singing!**

Spring Nature Table

We welcome any contribution to our spring nature table. The children love sharing their natural treasures. After the Easter holidays we would be grateful for any plants the children can grow in our edible garden. Watch this space for a wish list.

30 Hours Funding

Please do not forget to check/renew your code so that it is in place for the summer term. Last day it is accepted is March 31st 2019.

Sweets

Following a review as part of Polegate School's healthy eating we would kindly request that you do not provide us with sweets and cakes to help us celebrate your children's birthday. At nursery we celebrate together, sing happy birthday and present your child with a birthday certificate as routine. However if you would still like to provide a non edible item we would suggest stickers or similar as a cheaper alternative but it is not necessary.

Rising Fives

Children are now having their first opportunities to explore the Reception environment. They go once a week whenever possible with Ruby and so far for the majority of children it has been extremely positive. We are so proud of them all.

**Many thanks for your continued support
Love from the Nursery Team**