

## Newsletter Spring Term 2020



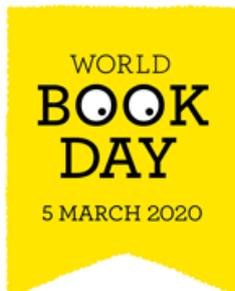
Hello Everyone!

Hope you have enjoyed the Spring term so far. As we approach the end of the first half of the term, here are a few dates for your diary of upcoming events and also ongoing information.

It's celebration all the way this term with many festivals and special days lined up.

### St Valentine's Day stay and play session

With the success of the Chinese New Year stay and play session involving Parents, Grandparents and Carers, we are inviting you to celebrate Valentine's Day. Join us between 9.20 and 11.30 on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. (Open to all Preschool Families)** There will be a cooking activity and crafts on offer. If you would like to attend please speak to Anna, Craig or Elizabeth.



World book day falls on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March** this year. To mark this event, as in previous years, we invite all children to dress up as a book character and bring their favourite book with them. Costumes need not be too elaborate. It really is just for the fun of the event.

### Mothers Day

Mothering Sunday **22<sup>nd</sup> March**. Sorry to you Mums and Granny's but details of these activities have to be kept as a surprise!

### New Volunteer!

We are very pleased to welcome Charlotte Flint, Isabella's Mum, as a volunteer on Thursdays and Fridays. Charlotte hopes to embark on a Level 3 Childcare, Learning and Development course in the near future.

## Thankyou

Many Thanks to Marc, Kian's Dad, for making and setting up two lovely bird boxes on our gazebo. We're looking forward to observing the occupants!



## Morning arrivals

With an increase in the number of children at preschool this term, the foyer has become very busy in the morning and rather overwhelming for some of our youngest children. To alleviate this situation, we are asking that parents of children without siblings in Bramfield Primary arrive at preschool when we open the door at 9.15 am. Children can then enter preschool straight away and not have to endure a difficult wait in a crowded foyer.

We understand that there is a 25-minute drop-off gap for Parents with older children in the Primary School and therefore the foyer will still be open from 9.00 am.

Our thanks to the families who have already trialled this new system. Early indications have shown that children have entered Pre-School less anxious and happy to engage in activities from the outset.

## Severe Weather arrangements for 2020

In the unlikely event now of a morning (or period) of heavy snow, please check the Bramfield Stepping Stones facebook page for the latest information. We will also email all families with updates.

Please check information before setting out as we wouldn't want anyone to take risks getting into preschool.



Term ends on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April with our annual **Easter egg hunt at 11.00 am**. All children and their siblings are invited to take part.

Looking forward to a fun packed spring term

Anna, Craig and Elizabeth