

Farnsfield Pre-School Newsletter

SUMMER TERM 2018 www.**farnsfieldpreschool.org**

**Leavers Party**

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Monday 23rd July 11-1pm

With Magical Movers

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**Dates for your diaries**

***Scarecrow Festival***



**Monday May 7th, 2018**

10.30 – 4.00pm

Events in Old School Playing Field

**End of summer term**

Friday 20th July 2018

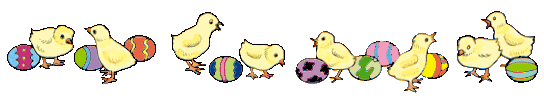
***Inset day*** *Tues 4th Sept*

**Autumn Term Starts**

Wednesday 5th Sept

**Easter Extravaganza**

Welcome to the start of a new summer term, we hope you have had a great time at our Easter Extravaganza.

Thank you to everyone who helped and gave their support we raised an amazing £634.00. Yet again the dedication and hard work of the committee has paid off. C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Office\MEDIA\CAGCAT10\j0304933.wmfC:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Office\MEDIA\CAGCAT10\j0304933.wmf

***A big thank you to everyone who attended to make this yet again big success***

**Great news!**

For the second year running we have been successful in our application for the Co -op's chosen charities. If you would like to allocate 1% from your membership scheme to Pre-School please go to the Co-op website and follow the simple instructions. Look out for our new sensory equipment and resources that will enhance our outdoor play area. [https://membership.coop.co.uk](https://membership.coop.co.uk/sign-in)

**Parents’ evening on Monday 23rd April & Thursday 26th April**

**Time. 4.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.**

This is an informal evening where you can discuss the progress of your child and we encourage you as parents to come along and find out a little more about our Pre-School life and day to day activities. If you wish to discuss your child’s progress with their Key Person, to avoid unnecessary delays, it would be easier if you booked a 10 minute appointment slot. We would welcome and value any ideas, views and suggestions you may have and are happy to answer any questions arising, as we work together for the benefit of our children.

**Please make sure you have arranged a date and time with your child’s key-person.**

**Up-coming activities**

This term we will be exploring outdoor learning when our new mud kitchen & planters arrive.

This half term will include

* Making a scarecrow (Scarecrow festival)
* Yoga
* French
* Bumbleduck Dancing
* Tennis Coaching
* **Don’t forget to check your child’s tray for updates, along with letters and their works of art!**

**Babies & Toddlers**

A friendly, welcoming, all-inclusive stay and play group for babies from birth up to approx age 5 years.

It is run by our new members of staff Zena & Emma who have experience in childcare.

**Village Centre.**

**Sessions: Thursdays: 9.00 till 11.00 am**

Toddlers is run and managed by Pre-School.

**During term times**

**Language Lead**

Introducing you to Sam, our Language Lead at Pre-School.

Introducing Talking Tuesday's!!

Look out for exciting monthly challenges and tips to help support your child's language skills.

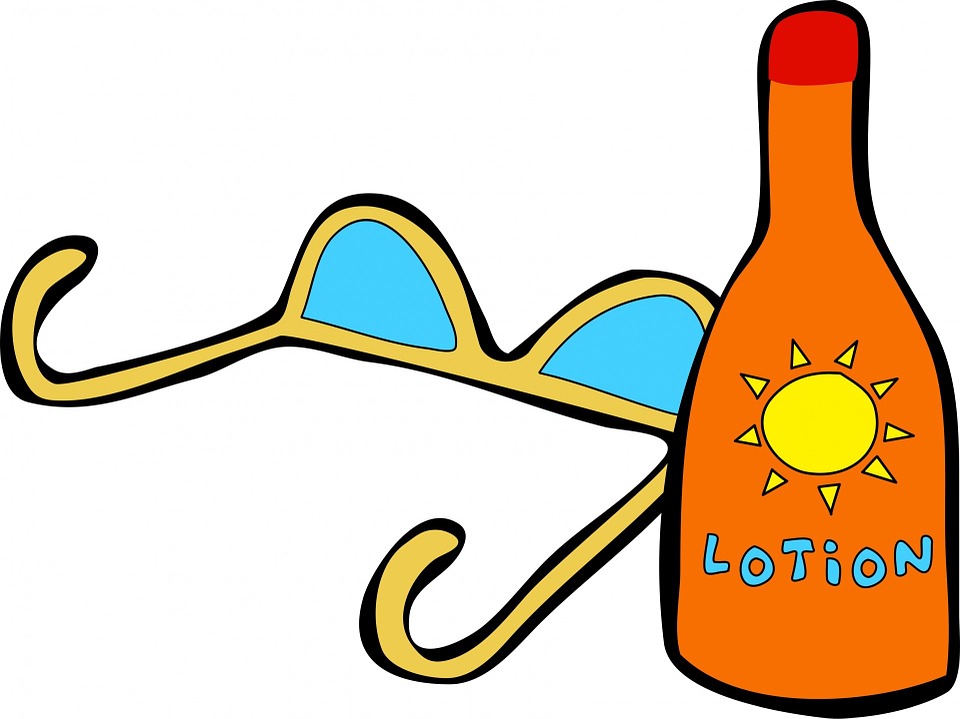
These can be found in the entrance, next to register and on our language display.

We look forward to seeing your photo's of our challenges.

Please speak to Sam our language lead if you require any further information.

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Please help us keep our sun safe status.

Parents **must** apply sun cream to their child before they come to preschool and provide their child with a sun hat throughout the months of April through to the end of July.

Please put names on all your children’s belongings.

**New Staff**

We would like to thank Emma Waterhouse for covering sessions over the past few weeks at a time when we were in need of extra help at Babies & Toddlers and Pre-School. The good news Emma has proven to be a valued member of the team and has chosen to stay with us on a permanent basis.

Also Zena, a new parent to our Pre-School has taken on the lead role at Toddlers. We wish her well, and with the support of the committee we hope Toddlers will continue to provide an essential role in our community.

**Bring and Tell**

Please bring photos of family special events for our “***WOW!”*** display board.

In order to provide a more flexible and relevant environment we are asking Parents/Carers to please speak to your child’s key-person about your child’s personal interests. This will help ensure that they are taken into consideration in providing activities that stimulate the child’s needs and bring out their best

**Message from the Chair (Rebecca Stoppard)**

Many thanks to all the parents who completed our questionnaire online. The overall response was very good, parents commented on how happy they were with the way staff care for the children and provide a stimulating environment for children’s learning. We will complete an action plan over the next few weeks and make every effort to work on any areas of improvement that were drawn to our attention. As always your comments and ideas are always welcomed.

**Comments Received by parents** “Lovely setting thank you for helping my child settle so quickly your staff are brilliant”. “Thank you for doing a great job and being so caring and fun.” “I think preschool is fantastic and I’m glad my daughter attends” “My little one loves preschool” “Which means you’re doing something right!”

**A.G.M.**

Date for your diaries – 4th July

If you would like more information about what we do, or would like to join the committee, please come along to our A.G.M. later in the year to see what is involved.

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**A Big Thank You**

*To Amanda for helping out at Toddlers.*

*Parents who helped out with the washing of old towels.*

*Matthew Millns for clearing away our old toys and putting heavy tiles in the playground.*

*Parents & staff who helped out at fundraising events.*

**Reminders and essentials**

Please can children refrain from coming in with toys and accessories from home, this can cause problems in the pre-school as children are understandably very protective of their own toys and the other children love to see new things. By the end of the session, they can become upset if their favoured toy is lost or broken. Comforters and soothers will always be an exception to the rule.