

Flagg News

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World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day this year on Thursday 2nd March. Your child is welcome to dress up as a book character on this day or any other day this week if they don't attend on Thursdays. There will be book tokens available for all children. Pupils form Taddington and Monyash primary schools will be coming to read to the nursery children this week.



Road Safety Resources

The road safety resources, including a set of real traffic lights and pelican crossing are in nursery at the moment. We will keep these resources for a month so that we can teach all the children about road safety in the garden with the bikes. The police community liaison officer will also be visiting us to teach the children about road safety.

The Circle of Life

Our topic from now until the end of term is "The Circle of Life." We will be observing caterpillars metamorphosing into butterflies, chicks hatching, looking at the life cycle of a daffodil and a flower that grows from a seed and also looking at human life cycles from babies to grown-ups, thinking about what we might like to be when we grow up. With this in mind it would be great if you could send us a photo of your child as a baby. We have a visit from the police community liaison officer booked to talk about road safety and a dental nurse to talk about oral hygiene. If you would like to come in to nursery to talk about your job please let us know. Also, if anyone has any frogspawn when the time comes then we would be very grateful if we could have some to observe in nursery.

Animal Workshop

Brendan Christopher and his collection of exotic animals will be visiting nursery on Tuesday 21st March in the morning. If your child doesn't attend on Tuesdays and you would like to join us, please let me know.





Living Eggs

Living Eggs will arrive in school on Monday 13th March for two weeks. The children will have the opportunity to watch the 10 eggs/chicks hatch and learn how to care for them. We will post photos of them on Class Dojo so you can see how they are doing. Please let us know if you would like to provide a home for the chickens which will be available from Friday 24th March.

Friends of Flagg Easter Bunny Drive

The Friends of Flagg are hosting an Easter Bunny drive this year on **Thursday 30**th **March from 3.30pm until 5pm.** Tickets are £2.50 each and are now available in nursery, everyone needs a ticket, adults as well as children. There will be an Easter Egg treasure hunt, snacks and drinks to buy and then a Bunny Drive: like a beetle drive but with a picture of a bunny. The idea is that you throw the dice and if you get a 6 you collect a head, 5 a body etc. The first team to get a full bunny wins the prize. We will need donations of chocolates and Easter eggs in advance for prizes, also cakes, buns and biscuits or healthy snacks on the day. We always need lots of volunteers, both on the day and beforehand. **The next Friends of Flagg meeting is on Friday**

17th March at 9am in the village hall. We will be discussing the Easter Bunny Drive and the strawberry Fayre. If you can't make this meeting but would still like to help with these events, please let me know.

Money raised by the Friends of Flagg is used to pay for all the extras we have in nursery like sports coaches, living eggs, animal workshops and school trips so it is definitely worth getting involved.



The date for our annual school fayre, the Strawberry Fayre, is Saturday 20th May 2022: save the date!



Easter Egg Hunt and Sing Along

Flagg Nursery School will be hosting our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Singalong session on Wednesday 29th March at 2.00pm. All children and parents are welcome to attend even if Wednesday is not your usual nursery day. Please come to nursery at 1.50pm. Fingers crossed for warm-ish weather!

Forest schools

We will be resuming our forest schools sessions in April. One of our new Governors. Peter Swann (dad to Elsie) together with Sarah Capper, our forest school leader, have secured us a grant from the Bingham Trust to enable us to provide these sessions. All children in Bears class (going to school this September) will be included. You will receive an information booklet and consent letter shortly.



Getting ready for school meeting

In order to make the transistion to Primary School as easy as possible for our children we have bought them all a "Buddy Bear." The Bear will go with them to primary school but before then we will be planning activities around the bears in the Summer term to introduce the children to the idea of "Big School."

All parents of children going to primary school this September 2023 are invited to a meeting either on Wednesday 3rd May at 2pm or Thursday 4th May at 6.30pm. We will talk about the Buddy Bear project and about how to help your child with the move to primary school. There will be parent teacher meetings later in May where you can discuss your child individually if you have any specific concerns.

Governors section

As I am sure you are aware every service in the public sector is facing real terms cuts in their budgets and we are no exception. Governors are activley seeking ways to absorb these cuts whilst maintaining the quality of care and education we provide. With this in mind there will be a small increase in charges in the Summer term (week beginning 17th April) and again in September. **Prices from April**:

Breakfast Club

7.45-9 am £8.50 (by prior arrangement)

8.00-9 am £6.50 8.30-9 am £3.25

Afternoon

3 and 4 year olds £17.25 2 year olds £19.50

Additional hours 3 and 4 year olds £5.75

2 year olds £6.50

Morning Session

3 and 4 year olds £17.25 2 year olds £19.50

Full day

3 and 4 year olds £34.50 2 year olds £39.00

Tiddlypeeps will hopefully be starting up again with support from the vicar in Monyash. It will be located in Monyash and will be independent from Flagg Nursery School. We will let you know as soon as the group is ready to re-start. Thank you.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 2nd March World Book Day

Tuesday 7th March Visit from police community liaison officer

Wednesday 8th March Visit from dental nurse Monday 13th March Living Eggs arrive in school

Friday 17th March 9am Friends of Flagg meeting in the village hall

Tuesday 21st March Animal workshop in nursery

Wednesday 29th March Easter egg hunt and singalong in nursery 2pm, all welcome Thursday 30th March Friends of Flagg Easter egg hunt and Bunny Drive 3.30-5pm

Friday 31st March Break up for Easter Monday 17th April Back to School

Monday 1st May Bank holiday: May day

Tuesday 2nd May INSET day, school closed for children Wednesday 3rd May 2pm Getting ready for school parents meeting Thursday 4th May 6.30 pm Getting ready for school parents meeting

Monday 8th May Bank holiday: King's coronation Saturday 20th May Strawberry Fayre 12-2 pm Friday 26th May Break up for half term

Monday 5th June Back to School **Thursday 20th July** Break up for the summer holiday

Friday 21st July INSET day, school closed for children