



Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Brown

Valentine Cafe

We have planned a Valentine Cafe on Friday 13th February from 2-3pm to raise money for our school fund. Over the next few weeks, the children will be baking heart shaped cakes and biscuits. Everyone welcome, even if your child doesn't usually attend nursery on a Friday. Please come along with some loose change and you will be served by your child!



Safer Internet Day

Tuesday February 10th is safer internet day. In nursery next week we will be teaching children about internet safety through stories and songs which we will share with you on Class Dojo. We have a very powerful filtering system. If you want to check your filtering at home, go to:

www.saferderbyshire.gov.uk/MOT

to check that your children cannot access harmful content.

Jobs People Do

Next term (February 23rd to March 27th) our topic will be Life Cycles. As part of this topic we will be talking about the jobs people do and what the children might like to do when they grow up.

We have already planned visits from the police community liaison officers and a dental nurse. If you have some time to come and talk to the children about your job, please let me know. As part of this topic we will teach the children about oral hygiene in nursery as well as healthy eating, exercise, and the importance of a good night's sleep.



Sport coaching

Our sport coach, Max, is currently offering sessions every Tuesday morning to the Bears class. Next term the day will change so that all children have the opportunity to be involved. Forest school will also be offered to all Bears who are going to school in September 2026 during the Summer term. Please remember to send your child to school in leggings or tracksuit bottoms and trainers on Tuesdays.

Easter Chocolate Bingo

Our PTFA, the friends of Flagg, is putting on an Easter Chocolate Bingo event after the Easter singalong in nursery at 3.15 on Wednesday 25th March in the village hall. If you want to get involved in helping with this, please let me know, the more the merrier. We will need donations of Easter chocolate and Easter buns, biscuits etc nearer the time.



World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day this year on Thursday 5th March. Your child is welcome to bring their favourite book to nursery on this day or any other day this week if they don't attend on Thursdays. Please write your child's name in the book! There will be book tokens available for all children. We have invited children from Monyash and Taddington primary schools to come in and read with us during the week.



Living Eggs

Living Eggs will arrive in school on Monday 9th 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 from Friday 20th March.

Easter Egg Hunt and Sing Along

Flagg Nursery School will be hosting our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Singalong session on Wednesday 25th 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!





Zoolab Animal Workshops

Zoolab and their collection of exotic animals will be visiting nursery on Wednesday 25th February at 9:30am and Friday 6th March at 1.30pm. If your child doesn't attend on Wednesdays or Fridays and you would like to join us, please let me know.

Save the date! Strawberry Fayre

Our annual school fayre: the Strawberry fayre will be held on Saturday 16th May 12-2pm. This raises money for our school fund which we use to pay for things like Living eggs, the animal workshop, school trips, forest school resources and gifts for the children at Christmas. For this to be a success we will need lots of donations of prizes, scones and cakes in advance of the day and volunteers on the day. The more people who volunteer to help then the better the day and the more money we raise! There will be a sign-up sheet in school in March to put your name down if you are available to help.



Lunchboxes

At parent consultations some of you were asking for ideas of what to put into lunchboxes. Some parents send a flask of soup or pasta which go down well with children who are not keen on sandwiches. Here are also a few links to websites with recipe and lunchbox ideas:

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/#tips>

<https://kidseatincolor.com/recipes/>

<https://www.henry.org.uk/recipes>

A Few Reminders

- **Please remember to renew any eligibility codes for funding as soon as you receive your HMRC reminder. This is essential to continue to receive your childcare funding, otherwise you will be liable to pay for your child's place.**
- **Please let us know by 6th March if you want to increase your sessions in September, otherwise we will assume that you want to keep to your current sessions. After this time, we will offer places to children on the waiting list for September. Thank you.**
- Our sessions run from 9am to 12pm or 9am to 3pm. Before 9am we have a breakfast club which incurs a small charge. Alternatively, you can use funded hours to pay for breakfast club. At 12pm children who are staying all day have their lunch and staff are supervising lunches. At 3pm most staff finish work and those remaining need to get ready for the following day, send photos on Class Dojo and carry out assessments. Please try to be on time, both when dropping off and picking up your children as this is beneficial for your child and also helps with the smooth running of the school. We are currently operating a flexi drop off until 9.15am and a flexi pick up until 3.15pm for those of you who have siblings at other schools.
- Please remember to close the gate which leads to the road, we need to keep all of our children safe and make sure that they do not run out into the road.

Updates

Don't forget to let us know if any of the information we hold for you changes eg phone numbers, e-mail addresses or the people who can collect your child and their contact details. If you want to come into the office to check any of the information, then please do so.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 10 th February	Safer internet day
Tuesday 10 th February	Governing Body Meeting
Friday 13 th February 2pm	Valentine Café
Friday 13 th February	Break up for half term
Monday 23 rd February	Back to school
Wednesday 25 th February 9.30am	Zoolab animal workshop
Friday 6 th March 1.30pm	Zoolab animal workshop
Monday 9 th March	Living Eggs arrive
Wednesday 18 th March	Governing Body Committee meetings
Wednesday 25 th March 2pm	Easter egg hunt and singalong
Wednesday 25 th March 3.15pm	Easter chocolate bingo
Friday 27 th March	Break up for Easter holiday
Monday 13 th April	Back to School
Saturday 16th May 12-2pm	Summer Fayre: the Strawberry Fayre
Friday 22 nd May	Break up for half term

