



# Wroughton Preschool Newsletter Term 4

## **\*Welcome Back\***

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope you have had a lovely break and some well-deserved family time.

### Termly Theme

Our topic for this term is 'Our Environment' We will also be looking at:

**St David's day (1<sup>st</sup>), \*World book day (2<sup>nd</sup>), St Patrick's day (17<sup>th</sup>) Mother's Day (19<sup>th</sup>) and Easter during the last week of term.**

### Great Big Thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone that returned their Smartie tubes.

You have helped to raise a fantastic £235!

With this we would like to purchase new equipment for our mud kitchen, such as utensils, pots, pans and materials including pebbles, soil etc.



**We are also looking for an old microwave (non-working) if anyone is throwing one away!  
Please let Zena know if you are getting rid of one.**

### Children going to school in September

As the older children are nearing the time to go to 'Big school' we would like you to encourage them to become more independent.

Can they put on their own clothes including socks, shoes and coats? Please put them in shoes that are easy for them to put on and take off by themselves e.g. Velcro - not laces.

Support them to do zips or buttons on their coats.

Let them help you write birthday cards and shopping lists and encourage them to look for signs and numbers in the environment.

Put items in their lunchboxes that they can open themselves, let them attempt to open their own crisp packets. For cooked meals, show them how to use a knife and fork, can they cut up their own food?

We will be shortening their lunch time as some of the children can be sat at the table for over an hour and they will not get this long at school.

These are all recommendations from the Infants schools.

### **\*World book day –Thursday 2nd March**

**Children can come to Preschool dressed in their favourite costumes.**

All children will receive a book token. The £1 book token can be swapped for a completely FREE World Book Day book available from participating booksellers or used to get £1 off any full priced book.

Click on the link below for books available and activities for you to do at home:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/>

Help us when you shop ...

You can help us raise money by shopping online on our easyfundraising page:

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wroughtonpresch/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_content=en-e2](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wroughtonpresch/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-e2)

Health and Safety

-Children should not be running around in the car park at drop off time. Please do not let them play on the little garden area. Some of the children are bringing muddy shoes into Preschool.

-If your child has grapes or mini sausages in their lunchboxes, please make sure these are cut in half to avoid choking.

-Sweets should not be put in your child's lunch box.

Safeguarding and welfare

Many families are currently struggling with rising food, energy, fuel and other living costs. That's why it's important to know what help and support is available now – that could benefit you, a relative, friend or neighbour.

The links below offer some support and good ideas.

[https://padlet.com/SBC\\_Food/food](https://padlet.com/SBC_Food/food)

<https://www.swindon.gov.uk/costofliving>

Donations

A huge thank you for all your kind donations last term. Every donation really does help to keep costs down for the Preschool.

To help us to promote healthy eating we would appreciate donations of fruit and vegetables for the children's snack this term.

Please look out for 'donations needed' on our notice board or Facebook page.



Dates for your diary

Term 4 commences - Monday 20th February.

Last day of term 4 – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

Term 5 commences – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Bank holidays – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> May (Preschool Closed).

Photographer - Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Contact details

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