



Welcome back to another busy term at Dundry Pre School, and welcome to our newest children and their families, we are enjoying getting to know you all.

We have another busy term ahead of us with lots of dates for your diary so we have included a calendar at the bottom of this letter. We start the term with a topic on Transport, this will include a Sponsored Scoot for our Thursday children- please let us know if you haven't received a letter/form. The children will come home with a certificate to let you know how many laps they completed. Other topics for this term include: Special People, and Easter.

Some important dates to note:

- World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March but due to our Sponsored Scoot we are inviting the children to bring in their favourite book but **not** dress up. We will put out dressing up clothes during the session. We will continue to share favourite books on **Friday 3rd March**, and children may come in dressed up as a book character on Friday if they would like to.
- Mother's Day Tea Party- we are inviting Friday Mums or Nannys to join us at 11:40 on **Friday 24th March** so you can be treated to a drink, cake and a special surprise. We will also be supporting Red Nose Day on this date so please bring in silver donations, and staff and children will be invited to dress in something **red**.
- Parents meetings- Week beginning **Monday 20th March**. This is a great opportunity to find out about your child's time with us and look at their Learning Diary in more detail. A sign up sheet will be available in the hall nearer the time.
- We are having our annual Easter egg hunt on the field, Easter bonnet Parade and Easter songs on **Thursday 6th April**. All parents/carers are invited to come and join us to watch the fun! Join us on the field at 11:45am to watch the fun begin. We will be sending the children home with their bonnets later in the term for decorating. Our Committee will be holding our Easter Fundraiser in the hall at the end of our Easter activities, more details to follow. All children are invited to join us even if Thursday is not their normal day- please arrive from 11:30am.

Thank you to those of you who have returned your questionnaires about 30 hours free funding for 3 and 4 year olds that starts in September. We have emailed this letter to the parents of children staying with us next year, or have younger siblings. We have paper copies available if you don't think you have received one. We need the replies back this week please.

As part of the Early Years Curriculum, we promote being healthy at preschool. We do this by providing fruit, water and milk at Snack Bar alongside a variety of snacks; having at least one activity of physical play out each day; a daily session of a PE type

activity called Let's Move; and the opportunity to make, chop, and cook foods. With this in mind, can we remind those of you who bring packed lunches to preschool that these need to include:

- A sandwich/wrap/crackers etc
- At least one portion of fruit or vegetables
- Protein rich food- yogurt, cheese, egg, meat
- A drink preferably water or fruit juice
- **One** treat only (choose one from- crisps, cake, biscuits etc)

We update our News Section of our Website each week, so please check it for information. There is also a preschool Facebook Page for parents that our Committee Chair, Adele updates regularly. For any clothes going astray, please check in the coloured boxes in the hall, where we encourage the children to put their belongings- finding the photograph of their Key People on the outside.

Finally, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to come and speak to one of us Stacey, Clair, Becky, Sara, Beth, Caroline and Adele.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20.2.17- First day of term			23.2.17-traffic Survey	24.2.17-Fun with Food Friday
27.2.17			2.3.17- Sponsored Scoot. Bring a book to Pre School	3.3.17- Bring a book to Pre School Dress up for World Book Day
6.3.17			9.3.17- Forest School	10.3.17- Fun with Food Friday
13.3.17			16.3.17- Forest School	17.3.17- Fun with Food Friday
20.3.17- Parents Meetings	21.3.17- Parents Meetings	22.3.17- Parents Meetings	23.3.17- Parents Meetings	24.3.17- Red Nose Day - wear something red . Mother's Day Tea Party 11:40
27.3.17			30.3.17- Forest School	1.4.17- Fun with Food Friday
3.4.17			6.4.17- Easter Fun and Fundraiser 11:45am	7.4.17- Last day of term