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Summer Term 2022 Newsletter

Diary Dates

15th July - Sponsored Nature Walk

19th July - End of Term

20th July - Graduation & Party for Sunshine Group Only

NOTICE BOARD

Car Parking

All pre-school parents should have a permit, which allows them to use the car park. These permits allow you to park in the Memorial Hall car park to **drop off** and pick up your child from pre-school. Permits must only be used at these times and on the days that your child attends. If you do not already have a permit please ask. Please make sure that it is displayed clearly in your car.

The memorial hall committee may challenge people who park in the car park, as unauthorised parking is an on-going problem.

Contact details & keeping children safe

Please ensure all your contact details are up to date. We must be able to contact you in case of an emergency.

If you will be un-contactable whilst your child is with us or unable to come back and collect them promptly, should the need arise, you must ensure that you have a local nominated person who can collect. <u>Anybody</u> collecting a child from WPS should know the password. This is a safeguarding requirement.

Please also inform us of any changes to or new medical conditions/medications and allergies.

Antiques Fair

Every 3rd Thursday in the month the main hall is used for an antiques fair. The car park and surrounding area will be very busy. Take extra care and allow time for parking.

Next Antiques Fair:

Thursday 16th June 2022





WPS core curriculum & working together

Our Core Curriculum document sets out our intent; to provide a safe, responsive and inspiring environment that offers the time and space to "Love, Laugh, Play and Learn Together". It describes how we implement this through our curriculum strands – Settling, Flourishing & Sunshine Group. It goes on to explain how we observe the impact of our curriculum in order to support children in a way that empowers them to develop into a confident, curious and independent learner.

However, one of the vital aspects of the effectiveness of our curriculum is **you!** Working in partnership with parents & carers can give children the very best start to their learning journey. Talk to your Key person or Miss Sharon about your child's learning, development and wellbeing. Share with us your child's 'WOW' moments. Send in photos of important events that happen in their lives or encourage children to bring in tickets or guidebooks from places that they visit. We love to hear about their adventures!

We can usually have a quick chat at drop off or pick up but if you would like a longer discussion please contact Tracey admin admin@wendoverpreschool.org.uk to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Lunch boxes

Children who attend lunch club should bring in a healthy packed lunch from home. We support children to develop independence when eating their lunch. This will help when they go on to 'big' school. Please keep this in mind when packing a lunch – avoid fiddly wrappers or difficult lids. We will put all uneaten food and wrappers back into a lunch box so as you can see what has been eaten. Because we put open food and wrappers back in it is vital that the lunch box is thoroughly cleaned every day. The results of a recent study have shown that almost three quarters (73%) of fabric lunch boxes are likely to harbour high counts of harmful germs. You can find out more about <u>lunchbox hygiene</u> here.

Based upon the principles of the *Eatwell Guide*, a lunchbox should contain:

- a starchy food, e.g. potato, bread, rice, pasta;
- fruit and vegetables, e.g. carrot sticks, an apple, sliced cucumber;
- a source of protein, e.g. beans, pulses, egg, fish, meat;
- a healthy drink, e.g. water, semi-skimmed milk (Water is always available at WPS)

More information about the Eatwell guide here <u>the-eatwell-guide</u> and ideas for healthy lunches at <u>healthier-lunchboxes</u>.

Dental health

Throughout the pandemic visits to the dentist for routine appoinments were severely restricted. This has meant a backlog of patients and long waiting times. Consequently many pre-school children have not even been for their first visit to a dentist.

With the shocking statistic from PHE that almost nine out of 10 hospital tooth extractions among infants aged up to five years old are down to preventable tooth decay, regular dental check ups are vital. To read more about dental hygiene for children, find out about regular dental visits and find a dentist near you go to taking-care-of-childrens-teeth.

You may have seen a poster on our notice board with information on an initiative called 'Ask for Jesse' fronted by Boots. Working in collaboration with The Hygiene Bank, customers can simply 'ask for Jesse' when in store. A member of the Boots team will provide oral hygiene products free to customers with children aged three to five years old. With household bills rising and the cost of living soaring this fabulous initiative aims to support those who need it. During this half term at WPS we will be holding 'oral health week' so look out for more information coming home.

This half term is always emotional as we prepare to say goodbye to our Sunshines as they journey on to school. So we will make the most of every minute! We look forward to sunny days in the garden, our nature walk and lots of other fun times. Keep smiling.

Miss Sharon & team x