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Newsletter Summer 1

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to those of you returning after the Easter Break and welcome to those of you joining us this term. I am sorry that I wasn't with you right at the beginning of term but I was called to do Jury Service. It is certainly interesting to see the judicial system working and to be a part of the process but it is lovely to be back with you all at nursery!

As you can see from the attached diary dates we have lots of interesting events and activities planned for you and your children to get involved with this term. These are all just starting points and we will see where the children want to take their learning and we will follow their lead!

However to begin with, as we have quite a few new children starting with us, we will be focussing on the personal and social areas of the curriculum.

Our Golden Rules

We are gentle
We share

We take turns
We are helpful

We talk to the children about our Golden Rules and it would really help us if you could do this at home too.

Arriving at Nursery

Our morning session starts at 8.50am and our afternoon session at 12.40pm. We begin with a 'Welcome time' when the children sit in their class groups and are welcomed to the session. In the Ladybirds (2yr old group) staff will share books with the children and sing some songs. In the Pond, Woods and Garden groups (3yr/4yr old groups) staff talk about what is going to happen during the session and may introduce a skill, such as how to mix different coloured paint or may talk about



a concept such as how we can help each other. This is an important part of the session as it helps children to start thinking about how they might use their time and develops their listening, attention and social skills.

We understand that if you need to take an older child to school first then you cannot be in two places at once but would encourage you to get your child to nursery as promptly as is reasonably possible. You may like to think of using our breakfast club on some mornings and dropping your younger child first? Breakfast club costs £4.00 and includes cereal. Please book a place in the office.

Please remember that our afternoon session now finishes at 3.30pm.

Notification of School Places

Parents who applied for a Primary school place for the academic year starting September 2017 were advised of their allocated school in April.



Please return your reply slip to WBC Schools Admissions by the end of the month **but remember that while you are accepting a place at school, your child does not have to start school in September. You can defer starting until January or April 2018.**

Staff are happy to talk with you about what is best for your child.

Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers



Sainsbury Active Kids vouchers are no longer being given out now. Please bring any vouchers you have and put them in the collecting box in the conservatory. Please ask any friends and family if they have any spare vouchers too – they will be very welcome! If you can count our vouchers for us, please let the Office staff know.

Open Morning Saturday 20th May 10.30am until 12.30pm

We have a some spaces available for September. If you have family or friends looking for a nursery place for their child, you'd be very welcome to bring them along. Or just let them know about it and they can come and explore for themselves!

