

Wintringham Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe that we are at the end of our third year at Wintringham Pre-school. This year seems to have flown by. We have had a blast in Pre-school this year and said hello to many new families and staff members. However, it is also time to say goodbye to some families as their children move on to their new adventures in their reception classes. It is also time for Pre-School to bid a farewell to Miss Johnson as she takes up a new role as a Teaching Assistant in Reception as part of the main school. I'm sure you will all agree that she has been a great member of the Pre-school team and will be missed.

We have had another busy couple of weeks for children in pre-school! The weather has made for some amazing outdoor learning opportunities as well as allowing children to finally harvest their fruits and vegetables which they have been growing! Lots of potatoes, strawberries and carrots have been grown this year – we might have to hope for a few rainy days over the summer to allow some more vegetables to mature upon our return.

Children have continued learning about 'The Natural World'. Our final book for this topic was 'A New Green Day' by Antoinette Portis. This alongside 'The Street Beneath My Feet' by Charlotte Guillain and 'The Wide, Wide Sea' by Anna Wilson complete our trilogy of books for this topic.

Children have also taken part in their own Pre-school Mini Olympics! All children participated with this, and we had some very happy winners at the end of each race. Children practiced their running, jumping and throwing in some events and to end the day focused on their coordination and ball skills in a penalty shootout to end it!

This week children were introduced to Wintringham's Well Being Day. In an assembly led by Mr Hall, pre-school looked at the importance of looking after ourselves both mentally and physically. We listened to what the children said made them feel calm and relaxed, and incorporated this into the end of our very busy week.



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A polite reminder that dogs are not permitted on the school grounds – unless they are for assistance. Please can you ensure they remain off the school premises when you are dropping off or collecting your children.

If your child will not be in attendance for a session due to a holiday or appointment, please can you ensure that you email the office at pre-school@wintringham.cambs.sch.uk detailing this listing the dates your child will be absent for.

We have a closed Facebook group that is only open to parents and carers of children in the Pre-School. A request to join this group can be made using the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/397561551714119>

The page is updated regularly with photographs and information of news and events.

Term dates for the school year 2023/2024 are provided in the diary dates section at the end of this newsletter. Future term dates for the school year 2024/2025 can be found on the school website.

Please be aware that if a child vomits or has diarrhoea in Pre-school, they will be sent home immediately. Children with these conditions will not be accepted back into Pre-School until 24 hours after the last symptom has elapsed.

Please, if possible, could you walk to school with your children. If you have to drive, please can you park with consideration. Thank you for your co-operation.

Uniform

Please note that children in Pre-School do not have to wear uniform. Children aged 3 and above may purchase a sweatshirt with the school logo on if they wish however,

Please ensure that your child brings a warm, waterproof coat to Pre-school with them every day. All children should also have a named water bottle or Sippy cup with them every day.

Email Communication

We have an email communication system, Arbor, which allows us to communicate with parents by email. Please ensure that your email address and all telephone numbers are kept up to date with the school office.

Online Payments

Our Arbor online payment system is used for recording charges incurred for sessions taken and for you to be able to pay for sessions. If you can't access the Arbor Parent Portal or app, which is also now available for both Android and Apple devices, please contact the school office.

Nut Allergy

May I remind parents that children's packed lunches must **NOT** contain peanut butter or other nut snacks as we have several children with allergies in school. This includes items that state that they 'may contain nuts'. Thank you for your consideration.

Diary Dates

Summer Term 2024

Friday 19th July - End of Term

Autumn Term 2024

Wednesday 4th September – Start of Term

Please be aware that we do occasionally need to alter some of these dates, but any alterations will be notified to parents.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tracy Bryden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Mrs Tracy Bryden
Executive Headteacher
On behalf of Wintringham Primary Academy (part of TDLPT)