



Hornden Nursery May 2018 Newsletter



Welcome to our most recent newsletter. We have tried to include lots of information and important dates covering from now until the end of the Summer term.

Nursery News

Hatching Chicks— I am sure you will agree, our recent experience of hatching chicks in nursery has been fantastic for the children and we know that many parents have enjoyed it too. The children have learnt all about the lifecycle of a chicken and have been able to witness this first hand. Our 10 chicks have now gone on to new homes and we look forward to hearing about their progress.

Insects and snails in particular!!- The children have been showing a great interest in the insects they are finding in the garden. After finding a large number of snails, the children are spending time observing them and learning lots of interesting facts.

The Royal Wedding

We will be celebrating the Royal Wedding of Harry and Meghan on Friday 18th May. Children are able to come in clothes of their choice and will have a Wedding Breakfast.

We will be finding out about wedding celebrations and may even have a wedding disco!!



Staff Training Day

Our nursery will be closed on **Friday 25th May** for a staff training day. All schools are required to have a set number of school days set aside for training purposes. We apologise for any inconvenience.



Farm Visit

You will shortly receive a letter about our upcoming visits to Tweddle Farm at Blackhall. These visits will take place in June.

We have received a very kind donation from a local resident and as a result all children will be able to attend the farm free of charge. We are very grateful for this donation and are currently in the process of making a card and writing a letter to say thank you from all of the children, staff, parents and governors.

The children in the 3-4 year old room will attend the farm with our staff, however we will ask that a parent or adult is able to attend with the children from our 2 year old room. This is due to the ratio of adults needed for our youngest learners. The adults will also attend the farm for free.

School Holidays

Our school breaks up for the half term holiday on **Thursday 24th May**. We return to nursery on **Monday 4th June**. We hope that you all have a lovely break.

We finish for the Summer break on **Friday 20th July**.

Lost Property and Names in Belongings

Please can we remind parents to ensure that their children's clothing is labelled with their name. As the weather is warming up children are taking off cardigans and jumpers and as you will appreciate it can be very difficult to locate lost items.

If you are missing any clothing please speak to your child's key person.

School Fund

Some of our new families may not know that we ask for a donation of £1 per week school fund. This donation helps us to provide a snack for the children each day and supports play dough and baking ingredients. Your child can hand this to their key person on a Monday.


Facebook and Our School App

Keep up to date with information and important dates through our Hornden Nursery Facebook Page and Our School App.

If you need help in downloading the school app please let us know.

Dates for your Diary

Across the term leading up to Summer we organise a number of events for children and families. As parents are invited to some of these, we would like to give you plenty of notice in order that you are able to attend.

Date	Event	Information
Friday 25th May	Staff Training Day	Nursery will be closed on this day
Monday 28th May	Summer Half term holiday	Children will return to nursery on Monday 4th June
Tuesday 12th June	Farm visit to Tweddle Farm for afternoon children — this visit will be across a full day	Due to children attending across the full day they will not attend on Thursday 14th June when the morning children visit the farm. Information to follow for 30 hour children
Thursday 14th June	Farm visit to Tweddle Farm for morning children — this visit will be across a full day	Due to children attending across the full day they will not attend on Tuesday 12th June when the afternoon children visit the farm. Information to follow for 30 hour children
Friday 15th June	Bacon Butties and Cakes to celebrate Fathers Day / Special Person Day Parents or adults of 30 hour children can attend on a morning or afternoon.	A special man in your child's life is invited to attend nursery for a breakfast of bacon sandwiches and cakes.
Thursday 21st June	Visit to Tweddle Farm for our afternoon children from the 2 year old room.	One parent or adult must accompany each child.
Friday 22nd June	Visit to Tweddle Farm for our morning children from the 2 year old room.	One parent or adult must accompany each child.
Tuesday 26th June	Sponsored Walk Parents or adults of 30 hour children can attend on a morning or afternoon.	Each child will need to be supported by an adult for our sponsored walk through the Dene. This will happen during your child's usual session.
Week beginning Monday 2nd July	Parents Meetings for children remaining with us in September 2018	Times and dates will be confirmed closer to the time.
Thursday 12th July— morning session	Leavers Celebration for children who go to school in September 2018. Parents and families are all welcome	Children who stay with us in September 2018 will not attend on this morning.
Thursday 12th July— afternoon session	Garden Party/ Summer Fayre All families and children are invited to attend.	There will be a host of activities and stalls, along with food and refreshments. Times will be confirmed closer to the date.
Friday 20th July	 Magic Show— all children to attend nursery on the morning session.	Times will be confirmed at a later date.