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March 2017 Newsletter

Ofsted Inspection

On March 8th and 9th we were inspected by Ofsted. We were pleased with the outcome of the inspection.

The inspector spent time observing teaching and learning in both the Pre-school and Nursery areas and talked with children in each session. She also met with parents, staff and governors.

The final outcome of the inspection is confidential until the report is published. We hope that this will be next week, so that we can share this with you before the Easter break.



The children in Pre-school have been making pancakes. They have used words such as stir, mix and toss.



Children in Nursery have been solving mathematical sums. They have sorted the little girl and boy figures into two groups then added them together to find the total number of figures.



Magic Moments

One of the priorities in our school development plan is to increase children's communications and language.

We would like to include examples of children's talk from home in their learning journals. Please send us an example of something that your child has said when they were really excited and wanting to talk. These can be emailed to the following email addresses or ask your child's key person for a speech bubble so that you can write down what your child has said.

Pre-school email:

magicmoments@arlesdene.herts.sch.uk

Nursery email:

nurserymagicmoments@arlesdene.herts.sch.uk

H.A.N.D News

This website and newsletter is for parents/carers of children with additional needs. Please follow the link below to read their most recent newsletter

<http://handnews.hertsc.gov.uk/issue-30-march-2017/in-the-news/welcome-to-your-march-hand-news>

Easter Celebrations in Pre-school and Nusery- Friday 31st March



We would like to invite parents to be part of our Easter celebrations during session times on Friday 31st March.

Pre-school would like parents to join in their Easter egg hunt and to listen to the children sing an Easter song. In Nursery we would like parents to come and help their children to make cakes, biscuits, hats and to join story telling and an Easter egg hunt. The children will also be singing Easter songs for their parents.

If our Ofsted report is published by Friday 31st March we will also include this in our celebrations.

Further details about this day will follow in a separate letter.

Birthday Celebrations



We love to celebrate your child's birthday. However, due to the number of children with allergies in Pre-school and Nursery we ask you not to bring cakes or other types of food into school. This also supports our healthy eating policy.

Nursery Schools Admissions for 2017



Offers will be available for parents to view via the online system on Tuesday 25th April.



Please remember that if your child has vomiting and /or diarrhoea they cannot return to school until 48 hours after the last bout of vomiting and /or diarrhoea. This is to protect other children and also the staff.

Primary School Places

Parents who have applied for a Primary School place for September will be informed about the allocation of a place for their child on the afternoon of April 18th. This will be via email. The information will be also be available online



The Hertfordshire Road Safety Partnership is launching a new campaign to 'put it away' as many drivers are continuing to use their handheld mobile phone while driving. However good your driving is, checking a text, browsing, scrolling through your music means you not paying attention to the road, things happen that you cannot react in time to. Remove the temptation and put your mobile away in a bag, in the gloves compartment, out of reach – it is just not worth the risk.
www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/putitaway

Soon the penalties for using a handheld mobile phone while driving are doubling to £200 fine and six points on your licence – an immediate ban for new drivers.

Thank you for your support #putitaway – follow on social media.

School Fund contribution £12 per term



Please note that Spring term payments for Nursery are now overdue

Forthcoming diary dates

Date	Time	Event
31st March	See separate letter	Easter Celebrations
31st March		Last day of term
19th April		Children return to Pre-school and Nursery
25th April	8.45am and 12.30pm	Maths workshop for parents
29th May to 2nd June	School closed	Half term break
5th June	8.45am and 12.30pm	Children return to school
13th June	During sessions	Group Photo's
16th June	All Day	Photographer for individual photos
24th June		School Fair
26th June		Parent consultation week
30th June	School closed	Staff training
21st July		Last day of term