



We have loved our castle theme this term, dressing up as princesses, knights, making castles and shields.



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Dear Parents/Carers

This year is going so fast and I can't believe we are nearly into our last term of the school year.

School Transition

Summer has finally arrived and this is the last term of the school year. Some of you will be leaving us in July to start Infant School in September and some will be staying with us. For those staying I have started allocating places for next term. We will be holding an open event on Friday 22nd July for any new parents who are interested in space for September 2016, so let your friends and neighbours know.

Parents Evening 8th June

We are inviting parents to come along for an appointment with their child's key person to share their transition report or discuss their child's move to the next group. A sign-up sheet will be displayed in each classroom; we have 10 minute appointments spread over the session to allow everyone the opportunity to come if they wish.

Foundation stage introductory talk

Lyneham Primary school are holding a presentation evening on Thursday 23rd June, an opportunity to meet the Early Years teachers and have a look around the school.

Concept Photography

A huge thank you to the parents that came along for the group pictures. Photo proofs will be here shortly, they will need to be returned even if parents do not wish to place an order.



We are waiting very patiently for the tadpoles to change into frogs. The children have been really interested in what the tadpoles eat and how they move

Stories of the Month

This term we will be continuing our interest in healthy eating, growth and life cycles. We will be reading 'The Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carr and 'My Dad', written by Anthony Browne



Rhyme of the Month

The children in Busy Bugs love this song at the moment and enjoy singing it together at circle time and taking turns jumping over the pretend candlestick.



Jack Be Nimble

Jack be nimble, Jack be quick.

Jack jumped over the candle stick

All About Me - Staff



We would like to welcome Kirsty Bateman and Christine Tanker to our team and hope they will enjoy their time with us. Kirsty will be working in Jungle Explorers and supporting Giraffe Group. Christine will be based in Busy Bugs and working in Jungle Explorers while Claire Greenaway is away on honeymoon.



Claire is getting married on Saturday 11th June in Chippenham and we hope she has a wonderful day and fantastic honeymoon. She will return as Mrs Claire Cannon



We say farewell to Sam who lives us at half-term to start her maternity leave. We hope she manages to have a little rest before baby is born and look forward to meeting the new family member soon.

Half Term

Please note our last day of term will be Friday 27th May, the children have one week off and return Monday 6th June.

Summer Holiday

The funded Term finishes on Friday 15th July. Letters have gone out asking parents if they wish to purchase sessions for Monday 18th July – Thursday 21st. These days will be confirmed shortly.

Fun Filled Term

Queen's Birthday – 11th June



We will be celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday and carrying out activities over the week before and holding a small tea party in the garden on Friday 10th June. We hope the Queen will call in again to visit.

Holiday Theme

Next term we will be learning about different countries and looking at the world around us. If you have any pictures, postcards, photographs of places you have visited we would love to share them with the children at small group time.



Pre-School Graduation - Friday 15th July -11 am

We will be holding a small graduation ceremony at the end of term in the Primary School hall. The pre-school children will perform a couple of their favourite songs and each child will be presented with a special certificate and graduation hat to mark their time at pre-school. If your child does not normally attend that day they are invited to meet us in the hall, where they can join the group just before the event starts.

Water Bottles

Can Parents/Carers please make sure that their child's water bottle is named and collected at the end of each session. Thank you

Parent Partnership

Sun Safety

It's wonderful to see the sunshine and we have started to make the most of the summer term, spending as much time as possible outside during the cooler parts of the day. Please send sun hats and apply sun cream to children before coming to preschool. If your child attends a full day please provide a named bottle of sun cream so we can reapply it in the afternoon. Please note on hot days we will be using the space at the front the building and will need to move any stored child bikes to outside the fence during this time.

Letter and Sounds

At pre-school we focus on Phase One and over the school year we plan regular activities to support the 7 different aspects through child and adult led activities.

Each aspect is divided into 3 strands and develops children's ability to:

- Listen to sounds
- Listen and remember
- Talk about sounds

Voice Sounds

This term's aspect is Voice Sounds and aims to help children distinguish between the differences in vocal sounds. This includes oral blending and segmenting and exploring different mouth movements with children-blowing, sucking, tongue stretching and wiggling. Practicing these movements regularly to music can be fun and helps children with their articulation.

You can show children how to make sounds with their voices, for example

- Make your voice go down a slide-wheeeee!
- Make your voice bounce like a ball-boing, boing
- Sound really disappointed-oh
- Hiss like a snake

These games help the children to distinguish between the different vocal sounds

