



Dear Parents

We have had a fun filled half term with new friends joining us, the chicks hatching, Sound Start sessions and Tatty Bumpkins and we have more exciting times ahead of us in the final term of this academic year! We have seen some real changes in your children as they learn and grow and become more independent and we hope that you have too. As always thank you for your continued support and I wish you a happy half term holiday.

### **The chicks**

The children have loved watching the chicks hatch out of tiny eggs into the chirping fluffy chicks they have become. They have been very brave holding the chicks gently and learning about how to care for them. We will all be very sad to see them leave us to go back to the farm on Friday. We hope that this experience will be something your children remember for years to come!



### **School Photographs**

For those of you who have ordered your child's photograph, we anticipate they will be with us shortly after half term. As soon as they are delivered, we will hand them out. We hope you are pleased with them, the children did so well.

## Moving on to Primary School in September

We appreciate that this is a big step for you and your child. The Primary School which your child will be attending from September will be in contact with you regarding transition arrangements. Teachers from your child's new school often come to visit them in Nursery.

For children who are transferring to Knowles Primary School there will be visits from the Primary School teachers and stay and play sessions for your children at the Primary School as well as a new parent meeting at the Primary School. Again, the Primary School will send you details. If your child stays with us all day, we will take the children to the Primary School and parents will then collect them from the Primary School on those days.

As part of preparing your child for Primary School, Tatty Bumpkins will be delivering some Yoga sessions to the children who are leaving us to help them mentally prepare for a new journey and meeting new people. I will send further details out nearer the time.

Sally will also be leading a getting ready for school workshop for parents who are about to encounter Primary School so that you are equipped to support your child through these important transition points. More details to follow.

## Reports to parents

All children in Nursery School will receive an end of year report which will detail what your child has been learning about in Nursery School, how they have settled and what their next steps for learning are. These will be sent out to you in early July. Between now and then you are most welcome to ask your child's key person to look at your child's learning journey at any time.

Reminders...

- Unless agreed with me, **parents are not permitted to park**, even for a few minutes to drop off and collect in the staff car park. We must always have access to the building for emergency vehicles. You will be asked politely to park elsewhere, please support us in this important matter.
- Please support us by providing boxes of tissues, baby wipes and a weekly £1 contribution for snack. We have 100 children in our Nursery but normally receive about £20-£30 a week. Your support means more than you think in such hard financial times and we and the children really do appreciate your support.

- Please keep all of your older children with you when you are collecting your child from Nursery School. Our equipment is not suitable for them to use and we will also not be held responsible for injuries for your older children which may occur in your absence. Pauline and I stand on the gate to greet you but also keep the premises safe from unwanted visitors, we cannot supervise your children and any breakages will need to be paid for.
- Do please try to arrive on time, late arrivals disrupt group time learning.
- If your child has suffered from symptoms of a tummy bug, please remember they cannot come back to Nursery **for two whole days after the last time** anything happened to avoid spreading it to the rest of the children and staff.
- Ensure that your child is wearing sun cream, sun hats and no open toes shoes or sandals for safety reasons please.
- If your address or telephone details change, please let us know as soon as possible.

### **Upcoming Events**

**Tatty Bumpkins for School leavers 10.00 a.m. and 1.15 p.m. Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

**Tatty Bumpkins for School leavers 10.00 a.m. and 1.15 p.m. Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

**Tatty Bumpkins for School leavers 10.00 a.m. and 1.15 p.m. Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

**Farm Visit – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.**

**Tatty Bumpkins for School leavers 10.00 a.m. and 1.15 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

**Sports Day – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

**Ragdolly Annas Summer Party – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

**Party Day – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Best wishes

Natalie Fowler