

“Where learning is Fun”

Woodentops Preschool

June/July 2018

Blogs on the website and Facebook

Jackie does a weekly blog of the fun and learning the children have had. To keep children safe the photos are anonymous.

Childrens Clothes

Please **name** your children’s clothing including **their shoes**- quite a few of the children have the same type and we all get very confused! If you child borrows Woodentops clothes, please return them as soon as possible.

Lower School Visits

Our next school visit is to Potton Lower on the 14th June for lunch. Your children will be asked this week what they would like as we must order it. It will finish at 3.15, please meet us in the school playground by the reception class gate. Potton Lower teachers are visiting us on the 7th June to introduce themselves to your children.

Gamlingay school visits- 12th, 19th and 26th June. Miss Slater is visiting us on the 4th July in the afternoon.

Please Remember Sun hats and Sun cream- we are working towards being a ‘Sun-safe’ setting. www.sunsafenurseries.co.uk

Father’s Day Celebration

On the 15th June, the children would like to invite their important adult to celebrate Father’s Day by doing a special breakfast. It’s from 8am to 10am. Those that do not normally attend on a Friday can come in at 9 with their special adult, normal session for Friday children. RSVP 8th June. Claytons are providing the meat again this year.

Term Dates

Summer 2018 finishes on 20th July.

Autumn Term- 3rd Sept to 14th Dec, Half term- 22nd to 26th Oct.

Spring term- 3rd Jan to 5th April, Half term-11th to 15th Feb.

Summer term- 23rd April to 19th July, Half term- 27th to 31st May.

Bags2school collection

We had a super response to this and sent off many bags. We received a donation of £60 and have used this to get some water channel stands which will give hours of creative play for our children.

September 2018

We have been giving out **booking forms for the September children.**

Please fill them in and return as soon as possible so we can try to give you the hours you want for your child.

Apply for your 30-hour code on childcare choices NOW.

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

Mobile Phones and Photos

Please **do not use** your mobile phone at preschool. The children are so eager to speak to you and are very sad if you are on the phone. It’s also a way of keeping your children safe.

Talking to staff

Please remember to talk to staff regarding preschool business at preschool. Out of school they are trying to be ‘ordinary’ mums/people.

Sports day

On 6th July 11.15 start, Simon from Triumph bootcamp is running it. Parents and carers can sit in the football stands as we will be on the pitch. Everyone is invited to join us for a picnic afterwards. Woodentops will provide drinks and ice pops. The day will finish at 1pm. Parents can look at their child's Learning Journey with Woodentops too.

Standalone Farm

We hope the children enjoyed themselves- we did. We will have lots of pictures on display by the end of the week. Thank you so much for coming.

GDPR/ Data Protection

You all have a form to read and sign to say you agree to Woodentops having and storing yours and your child's data. There is a leaflet available too. Please make sure you read and sign so that we can continue to provide care for your child.

The Gates

Please make sure you **shut both gates** when going in and out of Woodentops. This is to keep all our children safe going in and out of Woodentops.

Important Dates

28th May- **HALF TERM**

4th June-Back to Preschool

7th June- Simon's session/PLS teachers visit

12th June -Simon's session and Jodie's dance

14th June-Visiting Potton Lower for lunch.

15th June-Father's Day 8-10am

19th June- Jodie's dance

21st June- Simon's session/Spanish

26th June- Simon's session and Jodie's dance

27th June- new intake evening for parents going to Potton Lower School

28th June-Spanish

29th June Shuffle up day to PLS

4th July- Jodie's dance

6th July Sports day with Simon and Picnic

19th July afternoon treat for our school leavers, details to be confirmed

20th July- Summer party from 9 to 12pm, **no usual session.**

3rd Sept -back to preschool

Toys from home

Bringing toys from home can cause issues for your child. They often do not want to share them- understandably. To prevent any upset, we would prefer the toys stay in their bags or at home. Cuddlies are necessary when a child is feeling sad and are used then. Thank you.

Staff Training

4 of us are off to redo our Paediatric First Aid this term. We are all doing the Triple P training supporting our management of children's behaviour. Shannon is continuing with her level 4, and Kathryn has just finished off her Early Years Teacher training.

Any Questions

If you have any comments or concerns please speak to a manager- Jackie, Karen or Sue H. Thank you.

Party on Potton Weekend

Our theme for our float is 'Charlie and the Chocolate factory'. We're having a film session and watching Charlie and the Chocolate Factory on **20th July 9 to 12pm.**

No Usual Session.

Lunches-

We are **NUT** free setting so no nuts/ sesame biscuits in lunches please including Nutella. We have some severely allergic children. Please provide spoons if your child has a potted desert- we have very few spoons.