

# Woodentops Preschool

Feb/March 2019

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.

## Schools

You will all know what school your child has got into on the 16<sup>th</sup> April, please tell us which school your child is going to.

Please Remember Sun hats and Sun cream- we are working towards being a 'Sun-safe' setting. [www.sunsafenurseries.co.uk](http://www.sunsafenurseries.co.uk)

## Mother's Day Celebration

On the 29<sup>th</sup> March, the children would like to invite their very important adult to celebrate Mother'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. Slips will be coming soon, Please RSVP by 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Claytons are providing the meat again this year.

## Term Dates

Spring Term 2019 finishes on 5<sup>th</sup> April.

Summer Term- 23<sup>rd</sup> April to 19<sup>th</sup> July, Half term- 27<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May.

Autumn term- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept to 16<sup>th</sup> Dec, Half term-21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Spring term 2020- 6<sup>th</sup> Jan to 3<sup>rd</sup> April, Half term- 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> Feb.

## Bags2school collection

Our next Bags2School collection is the 25<sup>th</sup> April. The bags will be coming out in March so hopefully plenty of time for filling with clothes. We are hoping to open on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April between 2 and 4pm for you to deliver your full sacks.

## FUNDED 30 hours

Apply for your 30 hours code by the 28<sup>th</sup> February to ensure your child gets their full entitlement.

<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.

## Father's Day Celebration

We are planning this for the 14<sup>th</sup> June, from 8am to 10am. Come and have breakfast with your child before going off to work.

## Our annual School Trip

We are organising our annual school trip. Details will be available as soon as we know.

## Sports Day

We are planning for our Sports day to take place on the 5<sup>th</sup> July from 11.15 onwards. We have Simon showing you all what happens in his bootcamp sessions. You'll all be invited to join us for a picnic afterwards which is always fun.

## Easter Party

Its on the 5<sup>th</sup> April, from 10 to 12. There is **NO** normal session today and the party is Free of Charge. Widdershin's Theatre are performing Goldilocks and the 3 Bears.

## 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

- 12<sup>th</sup> Feb- **HALF TERM**
- 18<sup>th</sup> Feb-Back to Preschool
- 20<sup>th</sup> Feb- Signing with Jules
- 21<sup>st</sup> Feb -Simon's session, Spanish
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb -Bingo Night
- 26<sup>th</sup> Feb-Simons Session
- 27<sup>th</sup> Feb-Signing with Jules
- 28<sup>th</sup> Feb- Simon's session/Spanish
- 5<sup>th</sup> March- Library visit
- 6<sup>th</sup> March- Signing with Jules
- 7<sup>th</sup> March-Simons session, Spanish
- 12<sup>th</sup> March- Simons Session
- 13<sup>th</sup> March -Signing with Jules
- 14<sup>th</sup> March- Spanish
- 16<sup>th</sup> March- Staff training- Superheroes and Signing
- 20<sup>th</sup> March-Signing
- 21<sup>st</sup> March-Simons session/ Spanish
- 26<sup>th</sup> March-Simons session
- 27<sup>th</sup> March-Signing with Jules
- 28<sup>th</sup> March-Spanish
- 29<sup>th</sup> March-Mother's Day treat
- 3<sup>rd</sup> April -Signing with Jules
- 4<sup>th</sup> April -Simons session/ Spanish
- 5<sup>th</sup> April -Easter party
- 23<sup>rd</sup> April -back to preschool
- 2<sup>nd</sup> May -Potton Lower Sch visit
- 9<sup>th</sup> May – Poss Sutton lower sch visit
- 27<sup>th</sup> May -half term
- 3<sup>rd</sup> June -Back to preschool
- 13<sup>th</sup> June -PLS visit with lunch
- 14<sup>th</sup> June -Father's Day celebration
- 26<sup>th</sup> June -New intake evening- PLS
- 28<sup>th</sup> June -Shuffle up day- PLS
- 5<sup>th</sup> July -Sports Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> July- Fun day
- 19<sup>th</sup> July- End of term part

## Staff Training

We have organised a training day on Superheroes- how we can support the children who want to make and play with weapons. We also have Jules doing a session on signing which we are really looking forward to.

## Fun Day

We are planning a fun day in on a Saturday in July. Watch this space for more information.

## Woody Bear

Woody bear seems to have gone on a long holiday, we'd love him to come back to preschool. If, by any chance, you find him holidaying at yours, please would you bring him back to Woodentops. Thank you.

## 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.

## Questionnaires

Hopefully you will all have received a parent questionnaire on lovely pink paper. If not, please ask for one. We really appreciate you all doing these, as they give a reflection of how we are performing and what we need to improve on.

## Any Questions

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

## 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.