

TERM DATES:

SPRING TERM 2017:

Start: Thursday 5th January 2017

Half term: Monday 13th – Friday 17th February 2017

Finish: Thursday 30th March 2017

SUMMER TERM 2017:

Start: Wednesday 19th April 2017

May Day Bank Holiday:
Monday 1st May 2017

Half term: Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2017

Finish: Friday 21st July 2017

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- *Tuesday 7th February- Committee Meeting 8.45pm at Cowper Arms Pub*
- *Thursday 30th March- Easter Fun Day!*



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The Pre-School Team

Ekta – Pre-School Manager

Leanne – Deputy Leader

Christine – Pre-School Assistant

Easter Fun Day

We will be holding another fun Easter event at Pre-School this year, including an Easter Egg Hunt, 'Guess the Eggs' competition and lots of other fun activities for the kids.

Date: 30th March 2017

This event is lots of fun for all who attend and all we ask from you is a nominated donation to help cover the costs of the day.

More details to follow

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word 'facebook' in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

Please join the Digswell Preschool Facebook page to receive the latest information about current and upcoming events taking place, theme related photographs of your children and an opportunity for you to share your thoughts and ideas with the Pre-school team.

To join...simply search for Digswell Preschool on your Facebook page and click on 'Join the group'



Sainsbury's Vouchers 25th January-25th April

We are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers again this year. Please collect as many as you can and bring them into Pre-School. Don't forget to tell all your friends, family, neighbours, etc to collect them for us. Remember we are only a small Pre-School and don't have as many parents as the big schools to collect the vouchers for us!
Thank You.

Christmas Fundraising!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas fundraising events. We raised a fantastic **£84.60** from the Christmas fair and cake sale.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Christmas jingle and purchased a DVD of the performance. We raised **£80** from DVD sales.

We hope that you and your family members have enjoyed and appreciated this gift and will look back at this special moment for years to come.



Funding and Extra sessions

If you would like to book extra sessions after half term or in April, please let me know as soon as possible so I can put your child's name on the list as I will soon be allocating spaces to children on the waiting list.

Don't forget we offer a lunch club from 11.50-12.30 pm. These can be offered on an ad hoc basis if there is space.

All children are eligible for funding for up to 15 hours the term after they turn three.

We can also offer funding for 2 year olds for families who meet certain criteria

For more information visit www.hertsdirect.org and search for 'Free Early Years Provision' or speak to Ekta (Pre-School Leader)



PARKING

Please can you remember that we are not allowed to use the school car park to park unless permission is given from the school and a permit is given.

There is parking available at the following locations which are only a short walk to the school:

- Bottom of Harmer Green Lane – just off Hertford Rd (B1000)
- The Forge, Hertford Rd (B1000) – a small amount of parking available outside Digswell Arts Trust building (this is the closest parking to the school but spaces are limited)
- Viaduct Car Park, Digswell Park Rd – just off Hertford Rd (B1000) – plenty of spaces available but the furthest distance to the school

NOTICE PERIOD

Please remember that we require half a terms written notice (term time only-not including school holidays) if you no longer require your child's place at preschool. This includes children moving on to nursery. Without the correct notice period you will be liable for the next half terms fees, even if your child is funded.



As part of safeguarding your children at Pre-School, please remember that mobile phones are not allowed to be used during Preschool hours by both staff and parents/carers. If you need to use your phone when dropping off or collecting your child, you will need to go outside to do this. We appreciate your co-operation with this.

A Message from the Committee...

Committee volunteers needed!!

As a parent-run pre-school, we always need more parents to join in and help out with various tasks and roles involved with the running of the Pre-School. The more people we have to help out enables the Pre-school to run more efficiently and provides a more fulfilling experience for the children. We meet approx once a term in the pub (what more reason do you need to join us). As an added incentive if you take on an official role e.g. Chair/Treasurer you get free lunch club sessions or equivalent

The Committee holds regular meetings where everybody is welcome to attend and it would be great to see some new faces at our next meeting on

Tuesday 8th November, 8.45pm, at the Cowper Arms pub, Digswell

FINALLY....

Please remember we are all here to help your child get the most out of being at preschool. If you have any questions that you would like to ask, please speak to Ekta, Leanne or any other member of staff.

Ekta

**Pre-School Leader
& Team**

Leanne & Christine