



Collaton St. Mary Pre-school



Newsletter March 2021

Welcome back after the half term holiday, we hope that you all managed to do some enjoyable things despite the awful weather.



Last half term our theme was the weather and we had lots of fun doing all the different activities from making rain, looking at ice to flying a kite on the windy days. We also made time on the last day to have a Chinese feast and do some dragon dancing in celebration of Chinese New Year.

This half term we are moving on to Spring, looking for signs of new growth, planting our seeds and we are very lucky to be able to watch the new-born lambs skipping round in the field behind us.

Dates for your diary



Fee paying week
15th – 19th March

Red Nose Day
Friday 19th March

End of Term
Thursday 1st April

World Book Day

As always we will be celebrating World Book Day, this year we are doing it over two days on Thursday 4th and Friday 5th March.



You will be given a token for your child to take to a local book store to exchange for either of the books available for your child's age or you can get £1 off any book over £2.99. Our chosen book this year is 'One Spring Day' with our old friend Percy the park keeper.

Gardening news & wildlife garden

This half term we will be concentrating on finishing tidying up our wildlife garden and sowing lots of seeds. We have already sown some loofah seeds, something we have never grown before and soon we will be sowing our tomatoes followed by beans and pumpkins.

As part of the nationwide drive to plant trees, we decided to plant two fruit trees. After talking to the children it was decided to plant an apple and a plum tree. Our apple tree has been bought and planted and is already starting to show some flower buds. We are awaiting the arrival of our plum tree to go alongside it.



We have also been very busy feeding our visiting birds and have had some bird feeders and bird food very kindly donated. The children take it in turns to fill up the feeders and are becoming very good at spotting the different birds.

Wellies

With the weather becoming warmer we will be spending more and more time outside. However first thing in the morning the grass outside is often still quite wet so the children all change into their wellies.



Please can you just check that your child's wellies still fit ok as we know how quickly little feet can grow, and can you ensure that their wellies are clearly named.

Red Nose day
Friday 19th March

As usual we will be doing some fundraising for this very good cause. We will give out more details nearer the day.



Teeth cleaning programme

Last year we were selected by NHS England to participate in a pilot supervised tooth brushing programme for our 3 and 4 year olds. Unfortunately COVID stopped the programme with the children who had started it.



We will be starting this programme again with our oldest children and letters will be sent out to their parents asking permission for their child to take part.

Our newsletters are also on our website
collatonstmarypreschool.co.uk