

NEWSLETTER

End of Spring Term 2026

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CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

For Children's Mental Health Week, we read *The Colour Monster*, sorted colours into feeling pots, went on a colour treasure hunt, and created two large colour monsters. We also used a "feeling box" with coloured balls to share emotions, took turns expressing feelings in a circle, hugged friends, and watched a programme about kindness.



WE CELEBRATED WORLD BOOK WEEK

Children looked fantastic in their favourite book costumes and enjoyed themed activities, a garden book hunt, and story time. Congratulations to the book bundle winners—choosing was not easy! Thank you for the books brought in to share, encouraging conversations and celebrating children's interests



KEY DATES

- 27th March - End of Term. Easter Egg Hunt Event. Cake Sale at Hoe Road from 2:45pm. All children from both settings to be collected from Hoe Road at 3pm
- 13th April - Return to Pre-school - Start of Summer
- 4th May - Bank holiday
- 25th to 29th May - Half Term
- 8th June - Inset Day
- 13th June - Bishops Waltham Fun Day - Lilypad stall present with activities
- 17th July - Last Day of Summer Term - Party/Graduation details TBC

NOTE FROM MRS BEARDMORE

What a busy and enjoyable spring term we have had, exploring so many interesting things! We are all ready for the Easter Holidays, and coming back in the Summer Term, with more adventures to come. On a personal note, I would like to thank the staff for their continued commitment to the pre-school, the outstanding Lilypad committee for their hard work, ideas and fundraising efforts, and the parents and carers for their ongoing support...

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St Patrick's Day

Exploring, counting, and discovering—our St. Patrick's Day coin hunt supported early counting skills and fine motor development while encouraging friendly competition and turn-taking!



Planting Sunflowers & Wildflowers

The children explored the life cycle of a sunflower using sequencing cards, then filled their own pots with soil and seeds to take home. We'd love to hear how tall your sunflower is growing at home!



Donated Flowers

A big thank you to our kind parent for donating such a beautiful selection of flowers! The children have loved getting creative—making bouquets for their families, designing fairy doors, and enjoying lots of imaginative role play in the outdoor kitchen.



COMMITTEE NEWS

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas events! Together, through the raffle, voucher draw, and grotto, we raised an incredible £1009.41. This amazing total has allowed us to purchase a new fridge/freezer, along with additional resources for the children, including a wooden arch for the reading corner at Hoe Road. We also received a very generous £1000 donation from a grandparent's business—this is truly appreciated and will make a wonderful difference for the children at our pre-school. Keep an eye on our Facebook page and Tapestry for details of our upcoming fundraising events!