

NEWSLETTER

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We would like to wish all our families a Happy Mothers Day and hope you all enjoy some wonderful time together this Sunday. Some of the children have made special cards to celebrate.



This Thursday (4 April) at 1:30 we are inviting parents to come and join us for an afternoon of crafts. All the crafts will be themed around Easter which you can display in your homes, ready for the Easter Bunny. If you have

multiple children you can take time in each class and complete all the activities. This is open to the whole school including Rainbow Room and Nursery. The morning session for Nursery will be at 10.30 and the afternoon is at 1.30. The Rainbow Room sessions will be at 11am for the morning and 2.30 for the afternoon. Please come to the main office and we will take you along. These are always fabulous events and the children really enjoy working with their parents/ carers.



Next week is the last week of term and we are having a clear out of lost property. On Wednesday 3 and Thursday 4 April we will be putting out in the foyer all the lost property for you to come and look through. Please take anything that belongs to you. Then on the

last day please take anything you could use as anything left is going to a local charity shop.

This week we took a very exciting delivery of some farm flumpets. We are selling these at the office on behalf of St Oswald's Hospice at £2 each. There is a variety of farm animals to choose from and all are just adorable.



Dates to remember

Wednesday 3 April
Reception and Year 6
Heights and Weights

Thursday 4 April
Easter crafts from 1:30
Morning Nursery from 10:30
& afternoon 1.30. Rainbow
Room morning from 11am &
afternoon 2.30.

Thursday 25 April
The daily mile challenge

Thursday 4 July
Meet your new teacher

Friday 12 July
Sports day am
Family picnic at lunch
Chance to see your child's
books for the last time before
the summer holidays.



Last week we took delivery of some fantastic new outside play equipment and the children are really enjoying using them. There are drain pipes, water toys, lego, building bricks, den building equipment and much more. This is part of our OPAL play scheme which is continuing to develop.



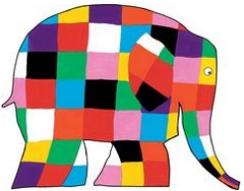
On Thursday the Games and Crafts club is CANCELLED due to a staff meeting. Please collect your child from their usual door at the end of school, sorry for any inconvenience caused. The new club lists will come out after the Easter holidays.



Many thanks to all the parents who came to school to share a story last week. It was lovely to see so many people turn up for this event. The children really enjoy going out to visit the library bus to pick a book that they are going to share with a member of their family later on that day. It is a joy to watch the smiles on the children's faces while enjoying a book. Reading is the foundation to a great education as it is the back bone of all subjects.



Could we please ask that no toys are brought into school. The children get very upset if they get broken and it stops their concentration in class. We hope you appreciate this and help us to reinforce it. Thanks again for your continued support and help in this matter.



Next term all classes will be learning about Elmer the Elephant. This is because we have been chosen to be part of a learning programme that runs in partnership with St Oswald's. We are eagerly awaiting the delivery of two white Elmer's that we as a school have to design and decorate. These will then be part of the 10 week parade from August where they are displayed in local areas. Elmer has been chosen as the character to be the face of this programme as it demonstrates that it is ok to sometimes want to be part of the herd, to 'fit in' but ultimately people love you for what makes you 'you'.



If your child is turning 3 before 1st April you are entitled to 15 hours free childcare in our nursery and you may qualify for 30 hours if you are eligible. We also run a 2 year old provision in our Rainbow Room. The children really enjoy their time here. It is always full of smiles and laughter. This helps them learn to share, builds up their confidence, teaches them new skills and helps them to understand what is expected. All of this helps the children move on into nursery and main stream school. If you are interested please pop into the office and we will be happy to help with any enquiries.