

Term 3



We hope you all had a good Christmas break and your children enjoyed themselves. We are all now nicely settled back into the new term.

Term Dates 2017

Term 3 Tuesday 03/01/17 to Friday 10/02/17

Term 4 Monday 20/2/17 to Friday 7/4/17

Term 5 Monday 24/4/17 to Friday 26/5/17

(closed 1/5/17 Bank Holiday)

Term 6 Monday 5/6/17 to Monday 24/7/17

Tapestry

All parents who authorised use of Tapestry should now have access to view your child's learning journal. Please take the time to have a look and feedback your comments. Please note the new website address to access tapestry.

<https://tapestryjournal.com/>

If you are having problems logging on please email us and we will reset your password.

I wonder – Please remember to comment if possible on the 'I Wonder....' On your child's observations as these will be added to their learning profile.

Fees

Please be reminded that the new hourly fee of £5.50 is now being charged, and most invoices have been emailed or given already. If you have any queries at all regarding your invoice, please contact Kim or Sarah.M in the office. Prompt payment is very much appreciated.



Ladybirds

This term in the Ladybird room we will be concentrating on a different colour each week. This will include objects inside and outside in the environment of the colour, crafts, stories and rhymes.

We will also be linking our colours to our topic of winter.

The children are enjoying looking at our planting area regularly, where they planted their bulbs last year as they are beginning to grow.



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Please can you send some family photos in for our 'all about me' wall. The children really enjoy sharing their pictures and talking about their families.



Bumblebees

Bumblebees are looking at winter and arctic animals. We have been playing with and investigating ice in different forms and colours. Further into the term we will be doing different experiments using other

resources, such as coloured die, bicarbonate of soda and other materials.



Please can we ask that all children bring spare clothes AND wellies to keep in school as we do a lot of messy play, water play and we don't have a lot of spare clothes to change into.

Pushchairs – please do not leave pushchairs in the porch area. It could be a potential fire risk. Please leave them under the covered area outside your child’s room. Thankyou.

We go outside in all weathers so please provide warm clothing for your child to change into, preferably some Wellies and a warm/waterproof coat, hat and gloves. You might like to also bring in some slippers for indoor use.



Naming of all items: Please label everything including drinks bottles, coats and bags and lunch boxes. Also remember if your child brings in a book or toy for show and tell or extra clothing such as jumpers and cardigans, hat, scarves etc., these **MUST** all be named.
We cannot be held responsible for any unnamed items

We have a small supply of spare clothing but these are minimal. Please provide a change of clothes in your child’s bag in case of any accidents or waterplay.

Please advise us ASAP of any changes of personal details, including change of address or telephone number

Sickness –

If your child has a green discharge from their nose or is coughing consistently, please keep them at home.

Please remember to contact us with the reason why your child will not be attending pre-school. We legally have to give a reason as to why your child has not arrived, so if you do not call and leave a message or speak directly to a member of staff, then we will have to try and contact you.

If your child has diarrhoea or vomiting, they should not return to pre-school for 48 hrs after the last bout of D or V.

If your child has a high temperature or a constant production of green mucus from the nose or has an infection of any kind then your child should not be in pre-school.

If your child has had Calpol, they should not be brought to pre-school

If your child is on antibiotics, they should not be brought to school until they have had antibiotics for 72 hrs in case of allergy.

Important Reminder

Grapes are banned from our settings, including lunch boxes. With immediate effect please can you refrain from putting grapes in your child's lunch box, even if they have been cut in half. Any grapes found in a lunch box will be removed and sent back home at the end of the session.

Can we also remind you that your child's lunchbox **should not** contain sweets, chocolates or nuts and must be clearly labelled. We encourage, promote and support healthy eating.



We are now open 3pm until 6pm, Monday to Friday. We are registered to take children from 2-11 years. Therefore children from Little Stoke primary school can also attend and will be collected from their classrooms by a member of staff.

If you feel you would like to use this additional service, please talk to Kim and she will give you a registration form to complete and will give you the phone number of the new manager, Beth, who will invite you in for a chat.