



Welcome to our April newsletter. We hope you all had a wonderful Easter, and enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

The events for this term are listed below along with term dates for half term for those children who attend term time.

May

Monday 2nd – May Day Bank holiday – GWFEYC closed

Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th – Nursery photographer at GWFEYC

Saturday 21st – Nursery Open Day (20 year anniversary)

Friday 27th - End of Term 5 - Children on term time funding

Friday 27th – The Big Lunch for the Queen’s Jubilee

June

Thursday 2nd – Bank holiday – GWFEYC closed

Friday 3rd – Bank holiday – GWFEYC closed

Monday 6th – Term 6 begins – children on term time funding

Staff News

Sadly Rachel, the Room Leader from the Babies room is leaving us on Friday 29th April. We wish her all the best in her new role as a Family Health Worker and she will be missed by us all at Great Wood Farm. Hannah, the current Assistant Room Leader will be taking on the role of Room Leader for the Babies room and Sharon an Early Years teacher in Babies will become the Assistant Baby Room Leader.

We have welcomed back Rachel Turner into the office who will be working at the start of the week.

Grantham Tennis Club

On 25th April, we welcomed James from Grantham Tennis Club who came to coach children from Badgers and Hares. Great fun was had by all!

Earth Day

On 22nd April we celebrated Earth Day across the whole nursery. The children were involved in activities exploring and promoting the natural environment around us, something we believe is an important part of our curriculum. It was lovely seeing the variety of activities across the nursery, for example, toddlers experienced a barefoot walk in the woods to engage their senses, and a group in Kindergarten laid down in the woods and listened to the sounds of nature surrounding them.

Rangers Fun Mudder Fundraiser

In the last week of term before Easter, some of our Rangers children took part in the Fun Mudder event, an obstacle course set up in Farmer Brian’s Wood. The children showed fantastic spirit and resilience, braving the mud and even snow!

We would like to thank you all for supporting the variety of fundraising events we have held to contribute to installing a defibrillator here. We are happy to now confirm that the defibrillator has been purchased and we are just awaiting the arrival of the cabinet before this can be installed.

Photography

Our nursery photographer will be visiting Great Wood Farm on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th May. If your child does not attend on these days, please feel free to bring your child in after 9.30am to have their photo taken. This will be done outside in our natural settings.

Sun cream

We use Sainsburys own brand childrens' sun cream here. Should parents/carers wish to bring in their own sun cream, please ensure this is labelled with your child's name. Please note we cannot accept Nivea Kids sun cream being brought in as unfortunately it contains almond oil which could be a risk to children/staff who have nut allergies at the setting.

Queen's Jubilee

To celebrate the upcoming Queen's Jubilee, we have decided to hold a whole nursery "Big Lunch" on Friday 27th May, where children and staff will have their lunch in the Kindergarten garden to replicate a street party themed atmosphere.

Nursery Open Day

We are pleased to finally be able to host our nursery open day on Saturday 21st May, between 10am to 2pm, which will see us celebrate our 20 year anniversary. There will be a range of fun activities to take part in. We will also be doing a Tombola on the day, and would welcome any prize donations for this. All proceeds from our Tombola will go towards the Ukraine appeal. Keep your eyes peeled as more details to follow soon!

20 Year Anniversary

Here's a couple of photos from 12th April, the actual day of our 20 year anniversary celebrations. Caroline in our kitchen kindly made a fabulous cake to help us celebrate which was shared across the whole nursery, making cake for morning snack in the garden. Sheryl had the honour of cutting the cake as our longest standing employee having been part of the team for 18 years!



Thank you for your continued support, we look forward to an exciting term ahead.
