



Newsletter - April 2021

Welcome back from your Easter break! We hope you have all had lots of fun! I apologise now for the long Newsletter, if you need clarification on any parts please ask a member of staff.

If your child makes *any* achievements either at clubs or at home please tell us about it so we can put it on the WOW Wall for them, if you have a photo even better, please send or email in.

We have a group photo **this Friday 23rd April**. If you would like your child to take part and don't normally attend on a Friday please talk to a member of staff.

If you have not completed a questionnaire we would be grateful if you could do so as we would really like everybody's opinions. Also if you need to update any of your contact details please ask for a form or email the details to us.

A plea from all Key persons! - please can you ensure that your children are wearing loose comfy clothing for playing in and getting messy, no skinny jeans! We need to teach the children independence, as in reception class they are expected to get changed and redressed for PE independently. Also remember **NO crocs or flip flops** as these are not safe for running and climbing.

Show and tell has been hugely successful in helping children with their language skills and their confidence. We cannot at this time encourage children to bring items in from home but if they find nature things on the way to school these would make fantastic show and tell. We don't want to miss out on important events so children could still bring in or email any photos of items or events for show and tell.

As the **sun is shining** and the summer is just around the corner, can you please bring in sun cream and a hat for your child. We still need a coat and wellies for the ever-changing weather. This way they can make the most of our outdoor play. Please make sure hats and any other clothing have names in them. Also if they have waterproofs and wellies for Forest School this would be fantastic.

This term is all about bugs, plants, frogs and things growing, we will be looking at Life Cycles. We will be learning the following rhymes: Round & round the Garden, Incy wincy spider, Wiggly woo, Twinkle Twinkle, Baa Baa Black Sheep, Five Little Ducks, any practice at home makes a huge difference. We would appreciate any resources along these themes like seeds, soil, pots, bedding plants, Garden canes. Jigsaws or games.

We would also really love a bench in our **Mud Kitchen** and wonder if anyone could make one from old pallets? If you have the skills or spare pallets please let us know.

Now that the weather is set to warm up, it is a good idea to add an ice pack into your child's packed lunch container. We are keen to encourage and promote healthy snacks and lunches. After reading about dentists seeing a surge in the number of children with bad front teeth due to yoghurt tubes, we would like to recommend that supermarket Framage frais style yogurts would be a better option as they are the lowest in sugar and spoon practise is brilliant for fine motor control.

Any children claiming **30 hours funding** please ensure you continue to renew your funding via the government funding emails.

Our weekly Pre-school Blog is at <https://www.pelyntprimary.co.uk/Class/PreSchool> this shows a round-up of all we have been up to at Pre-school and your child's work can also be seen on their Tapestry site. This is visible on an app via your phone or a computer. If you have problems accessing Tapestry please talk to a member of staff.

Finally, can I please ask you to bring your children in at the appropriate time. If you have children also attending the school we will have discussed the correct time with you. All other children must **arrive at 9am** when we will endeavour to be prompt at the gate. Otherwise we will be in the way of the schools social distancing measures. Please keep to the left if school parents are trying to pass. We are grateful for your continued patience with these rules and routines.

We break for Summer half term on Friday 28th May and return on Monday 7th June.

P.S. If you have any spare socks you can let us have or can return any that have been borrowed we would appreciate it as we have none again.