

Dates for the Diary

Inset days

Mon 22nd July 2019

Tues 23rd July 2019

Other Dates

Spring Half Term

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd February 2019

Easter Holidays

Mon 8th - Mon 22nd April 2019

Summer Half Term

Mon 27th - Fri 31st May 2019

Summer Holidays

Wed 24th July - Tues 3rd September 2019



Parent Management Committee

Chair - Jenny Marshall, Trustee
Treasurer - Christine McGarvie, Trustee
Secretary - Rebecca Kingston, Parent & Trustee
Preschool Manager - Amanda Davies, Trustee
Avril Woodford - Community member & Trustee
Georgina Jones - Parent committee member
Laura Birch - Parent committee member
Carrie Christian - Parent committee member
Andrea Hamman - Parent committee member

We need your help! If you shop online please could you sign up to Easyfundraising to support Impstone Preschool, Tadley?

We want to raise as much as possible, so please visit our new Easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/impstonepreschooltadley/> and click 'support us'.

It's a really easy way to raise money for us—you just use the Easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well-known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.Com, eBay, Boden and M&S, plus when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation at no extra cost to you!

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Spring Topic

'Colours & Patterns'

The children have been enjoying the 'colours and patterns' theme for this term. We have been looking at the colour red and doing movement to Chinese music to celebrate Chinese New Year and mixing the colour pink for St Valentine's Day.

For St David's Day we made Welsh cakes and

looked at daffodils and explored the colour yellow.



Planning Application is in!

Planning has finally gone in for our new building extension!

We could really do with as much support as possible from you all with a quick comment added to the planning application online in favour of the new extension.

The link for this is:

<https://planning.basingstoke.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=PMEDPECRINR00&activeTab=summary>

Our application number is 19/00342/FUL

This extension will see a complete overhaul of the existing building, plus a two storey extension out the front, with the lower level dedicated to the preschool and the upper as additional meeting room space.

Thanks in advance for your support:)

MONTHLY PARENT SONG & INFO SHEET

Don't forget we send out info at the beginning of each month of the songs and topic for that month.

We sing these songs with the children every session and it would be great to hear the children are doing this at home with you too! Remember, you can record your children singing these at home with you and add to your child's Tapestry account.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

When parking at the Preschool, please **do not use** the disabled bays unless you have a Blue disabled badge, which allows you to do so; please park respectfully in a designated space only. When we are expecting a large number of cars into the car park at one time, the back field car park will be open.

Don't forget that children are required by law to travel in a car seat until they're 12 years old or 135 cm tall, whichever comes first! Any child not seen properly restrained in a car seat will be reported to the police. As with all aspects of our Preschool children's safety is paramount.

Please be aware that nut products, including Nutella spread must **NOT** be brought into the setting for snacks or lunch.

As we promote healthy eating in our setting, please can I remind you that **NO CHOCOLATE OR SWEETS** are allowed. Any items will be removed from your child's lunchbox and sent back home.

EGG CARTONS FOR EASTER!

Over Easter, as part of our large construction, we will be using different sized egg cartons.

Please could you bring any empty cartons that you may have at home please before 1st April. Thanks.



PARENT & KEY PERSON MEETINGS

If you haven't already had your meeting or booked a date please either speak to the staff member on the door, text (07733 898914) or email Amanda on impstonepreschool@gmail.com.

30 hour Funding Entitlement

30 hour funding began in January 2019 are you entitled?

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/30-hours-free-childcare-eligibility>
- Make sure you apply before **31st March 2019** to receive your funding for the **Summer 2019** term.



WELLIES AND CLOTHES FOR OUT-DOORS

As the cold and wet weather continues, we will still be trying to get the children outside as much as possible.

Please can you ensure your child has suitable clothing for outdoor play and wellies if possible.

While we have spare clothes and wellies, we don't have enough for all children and we want to ensure all children have the same chances of outdoor play.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER TO NAME ALL ITEMS!!!

Staffing Updates

As you are all aware, we had to say a sad goodbye to Kelly Arendse recently. However, on a more positive note, we are delighted to announce our apprentice Emma Nicholson is expecting her 4th child at the end of August!

We hope you join us in wishing her well with her pregnancy, while she continues her time with us, hopefully making it through to the end of the school year:)



Car Parking

Just to advise I have spoken to the Hall Committee about the issue with external users taking up the car parking spaces and they have advised we are to be made aware in advance so we can open the additional parking area.

Events for the coming year...

- Thursday 28th March 2018— Easter Party (Family)
- Thursday 2nd May- Family School Trip to Beale Trip
- Thursday 23rd May 2018—Sports Day (Family)
 - Thursday 18th July- End of Term Party