

PRESCHOOL



October Newsletter 2024

It has been a busy start to the new academic year, we have welcomed new families and children after saying Goodbye to our school leavers. All of the children have settled really well and have been excited to join in with all of the activities on offer. We are looking forward to a fun filled year with you all.

STAFF- We have welcomed Shani to the team who is primarily based in the Preschool room. Our staff team is therefore:

Manager- Nicole **Deputy Manager-** Kate

Bumbles- Louise, Abbie and Cerys

Preschool - Diane, Claire, Elle, Dani and Shani

We hope you have all been introduced to your child's keyperson, if you are unsure of who your child's keyperson is please speak to a staff member.

OUR CURRICULUM- This term we have focused on All About me including our families and making family books, pets and things we enjoy, we have explored our Senses with food tasting, lots of messy play and scented playdoh and are now looking at the season of Autumn where we have been on Autumn walks to collect items such as conkers and leaves, made leaf sun catchers and grouped items such as conkers for Maths, we have also been shopping in the Harvest shop role play area.

The children have started to learn Makaton to support communication so please do ask your children to show you some of their signs.

At home you could go on a walk to look at how the trees are changing colour, collect items to bring in or make an autumn collage with.



STAY AND PLAYS-We invited parents and carers in for stay and play sessions. Thank you to everyone who came along, the children enjoy showing their families their rooms and what they like to play with and it gives parents/carers the opportunity to speak with keypersons and ask questions to support learning at home. We will be running more events for parents/carers over the year. We hope you all enjoyed these.



DEVELOPMENTS- This half term we have continued to develop our outside area, with new balance bikes and ride ons, a mark making hut and a cosy wooden teepee , we would love to continue to add to the sensory garden so if anyone is able to donate plants or garden decorations they would be really appreciated.

In the Preschool room we have created a sensory area with a new rug, sensory lights, a light table, infinity mirror and we are just awaiting a canopy to make it more enclosed.

Please let us know if you have any more ideas for development areas.

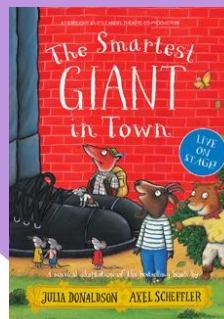


SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR SEPT 2025- If your child is 4 or turns 4 before the 1st September 2025 they can start school in September 2025. Hampshire school admissions open on 1st November 2024 and close on 15th January 2025. Visit www.hants.gov.uk/admissions for more information

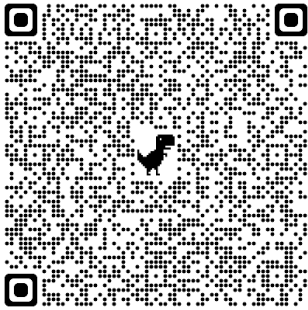
THE SMARTEST GIANT IN TOWN-

Live at the Princes Hall Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st October. A lovely half term activity. To book tickets visit

<https://www.princeshall.com/event/176801ARSTNBQHHQRRDLNCSJPGRMRMBTP/The-Smartest-Giant-In-Town>



RUSHMOOR LOTTERY- We are part of the Rushmoor Community Lottery fundraising, Buying tickets helps to raise money for the setting whilst also giving you a chance to win prizes. You can scan the QR code to find out more or visit the Rushmoor Community Lottery website.



COMMITTEE-

We are in need of more parents to join our committee, we are also looking also for a Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. If you are interested or know someone that may be interested, please speak to Nicole or Kate



MOBILE PHONES- Please be reminded that mobile phones should not be used within the gated area, this includes taking photographs. This is for Safeguarding reasons.



OUTDOOR CLOTHING- During the colder weather please remember to send your child with a warm coat with a hood and wellie boots as we do go outside in all weathers. Thank you



Diary Dates

PHOTOGRAPHS - Wednesday 23rd October 2024

HALF TERM- Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November (Setting Closed)

PARENTS EVENING- Thursday 28th November 2024 3.30pm-5.30pm

LAST DAY OF TERM- Friday 13th December 2024

PANTOMIME- Thursday 19th December 2024 1.30pm

FIRST DAY BACK-Monday 6th January 2025

HALF TERM-Monday 17th February-Friday 21st February 2025 (Setting Closed)

LAST DAY OF TERM - Friday 4th April 2025

FIRST DAY BACK- Tuesday 22nd April 2025

BANK HOLIDAY- Monday 5th May 2025 (Setting Closed)

HALF TERM- Monday 26th May-Friday 30th May (Setting Closed)

SCHOOL LEAVERS PHOTOS- Friday 13th June 2025

PARENTS EVENING AND END OF YEAR REPORTS- Tuesday 24th June 2025 3.30pm-5.30pm

LAST DAY OF TERM AND EARLY CLOSURE Friday 18th July 2025 (Setting closing 12pm Bumbles and 12.15pm Preschool)

SCHOOL LEAVERS PARTY- Friday 18th July 2025 (Time to be confirmed)

***Please be aware that dates are subject to change, but notice will be given**

***More dates will be added as needed or for events**





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