

# HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Greenfield Nursery School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

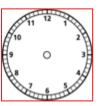
What a great time we had during 'Feeling good week'. Nursery, preschool and children in the after school club took part in preparing funny faces made from fruit with a lady from Tesco delivering the Farm to Fork project. Nursery and preschool children also took part in fabulous African drumming led by an amazing African drummer. Some of you may have joined your child for the football skills with a football coach and Forest School started during this week and will run for a further 5 weeks.

If you haven't already done so can you bring a photo of you and your child taking part in an activity that makes them feel good for our wall display.

WOW! Moments - we would love more Wow! Moments from home to add to your child Learning Journal - if you are not sure what this is please speak to your child's Key Person.

Settling in questionnaire - thank you to those parents that have returned the questionnaire, it is very useful as a new head to find out what you think as parents. This helps us improve our service to you. Completed forms can be returned to the office. Thank you

Staff Leaving - We will be saying goodbye to our Daisy Chain Manager, Lorraine Turner, who is taking on a new challenge and goodbye at the end of term to Abbey Griggs in Primrose room. Abbey has completed her apprenticeship and is off to New York for a new adventure. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them both for their hard work and commitment to the school. Good Luck!



LATES - We still have a high number of children arriving late. Please try to get your child in school on time as they miss vital learning. Session starts at 8:50 am and 12:30pm and ends at 11:45am and 3:25pm prompt.

If you arrive after 9:00 am or 12:40pm please inform the office that you bringing in a child late.

## Nursery Attendance

Ofsted and Herts County Council expect all nursery schools to be aiming for 95% attendance rates ours is currently under 80%. We need your help to raise our attendance, so please make very day count and make sure your child is in school.

So that children make progress within the 'Early Years Foundation Stage' curriculum it is important for them to be in school regularly and set good routines in readiness for primary school.

Nursery Education is non-statutory but there is a strong link between attendance, punctuality and children's progress, even at this young age.

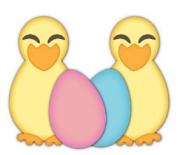
## Nursery Admissions

If your child was born between 01/09/13 to 31/08/14 you may apply for a nursery place – applications close 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Do you know someone who might be looking for a preschool place in September?

We have Preschool places available for children born between 01/09/14 to 31/08/15

- Please ask the office staff for more information



# Easter Raffle

Can you donate a prize for the Easter raffle?

If so, please place in the box in the hall - thank you

**Governors** – There was a Governor meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> February where 30 hour provision was discussed. It was agreed we would provide some 30 hour places for working parents from September. Governors booked visits to the school.



Our school car park is very small and used by the Children's Centre staff as well, with many staff arriving at different times.

Parents are NOT able to park in the car park from 8:15 until 4:15. Thank you

Thank you for your voluntary contribution of £1 a week towards snack, this helps us provide a range of fruit for snack.

#### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please remember the school is a mobile phone free zone. If you need to take a call in an emergency please do so outside



Please return Nursery spare clothes as soon as you have washed and dried them as in the wetter weather we run short very quickly.

# **Important Dates**

- Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> March Parent Consultations - Details to follow
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March Red Nose Day more information to follow
- > 31st March Last Day of Term Easter Holiday
- > 18<sup>th</sup> April School Back

Thank you

Yours sincerely

Deborah Harrison Headteacher