



## WELCOME BACK.

I am sure you would all agree that the last few months have been a period of uncertainty. Difficult and challenging for many people having to balance childcare and work and trying to keep to some normality. I hope that we can take something positive and that you have been able to enjoy spending quality family time, just being able to sit and talk without having to rush off to do tasks. We have been lucky that the sun has been shining and hopefully, you have taken advantage of being outdoors, doing a bit of gardening or just going for walk in the fresh air. I am sure



you would all agree that we are surrounded by natural beauty, a beach not so far away and the Quantock Hills close by. June is now upon us and preschool is opening our doors from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June, letters

explaining the transition will follow this newsletter.

### What is the plan for June?

We hope the transition back to preschool will be smooth, your child may find returning difficult after spending quite a few weeks at home, or they may be itching to return. We want to reassure you that we will be here to support them on their return when you choose to do this. Our plan is to spend lots of time outside; We have a fantastic outdoor space where the inside will be outside and lots of learning will still take place in a planned environment following the children's interests.

Because of this, we ask you to provide Sun factor 50 lotion that is clearly labelled with your child's name, a hat and preferably a long sleeve cotton top. Would you please apply the sun lotion at home before attending.



### WHO'S WHO AT LITTLE ACORN'S

**LIANNE**  
PRESCHOOL  
ASSISTANT

You probably all know Lianne, who has been a consistent support for the children since January. Lianne has built close attachments with all the children with her enthusiasm and positive approach. She has a keen interest in developing the outside and to achieve her



Forest School certificate. As a new member of Stogursey School, I am very much looking forward to working with such a dedicated and passionate practitioner.



To help stay connected Little Acorn's preschool will have a facebook page, that will be up and running next week. We hope to use this as an extension from the schools facebook page where we will share news, events, ideas and activities. Hopefully it will help you stay connected and will compliment tapestry journal and our newsletters.



## Our Vision

*'Whilst working with parents and the wider community we want happy, healthy (in body and mind), confident children who are kind, caring and empathetic who have inquisitive minds and wants to be engaged with what they do'.*

## CAN YOU HELP?

The children love playing in the home corner where their imagination creates opportunities to develop social skills, work together, listen and chat. We are looking at improving this very special corner, in particular, we would like to replace the baby dolls – Do you have a baby Annabel or similar, that you would like to donate?



## NEW STAFF: SARAH DRAY PRESCHOOL SUPERVISER.

Many moons ago, I went to school here, Little Acorn's room, is what once was Mr Presley's class and it is quite exciting to be back here. I do think we have the best room in the school looking out towards the Quantock Hills - I feel very lucky!

I have worked in the Early Years for the last 18 years, in Dorset, Herefordshire, North Somerset and even in Germany supporting British Forces Nurseries. In recent years, I have been supporting early year's practitioners in HE and FE colleges but it is good to be back on the ground with the children and to be able to work once again with families.

It is great to be able to join the preschool before the summer break, it gives me time to get to know the children as well as the parents and to familiarise myself with the environment. I am sure I will do things slightly different from my predecessors, these changes are not meant to disrupt but to enhance your child's learning – to improve the environment and raise the quality of care.

I am very much looking forward to working with you, getting to know your child, the school and the community in which we live in. My door is always open and I am happy to answer questions, listen to suggestions or have a chat. I appreciate your support during the months ahead. Stay Safe!