



HEATH LANE NURSERY SCHOOL
AND CHILDREN'S CLUB
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Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy half term exploring the rainforest and learning about Chinese New Year celebrations. We hope those of you who were able to come to the coffee sessions this week enjoyed meeting other parents and the chance to see your child in action at nursery. The teachers also talked about how you can contribute to your child's learning journey so if you were unable to come and would like to know more please speak to me.

Thank you to those of you who were at the coffee session when we held our fire practices. It was encouraging to know that everyone can leave the nursery in under a minute even when there are extra adults on site.

Next week is half term and there are **NO NURSERY** sessions. There are still a few places available at Holiday Club. Do contact Mrs Haynes for details on 01442 234687. We hope all the children enjoy a change in routine and come back refreshed.

Recently we have had several children upset as they wait to be collected at the end of sessions. Please make sure you are prompt to collect your child to avoid distress. If you are unavoidably detained please phone nursery and make other arrangements for your child to be collected.

Thursday 3rd March is World Book Day. We shall be marking this event all week. Could you please help your child to select one of their favourite books from home, name it, and put it in their book bag for the **WHOLE WEEK**. Key workers will then spend time with the children reading and talking about their favourite books.

On Thursday 3rd March we will be holding a small book sale. Details to follow after the holiday.

The last session for all children will be on Thursday 7th April. Please put this in your diary to avoid confusion.
Have a fun half term holiday.

Mrs R Heath

Please turn over for more information.

Don't forget to

- Tell us of any changes in contact details especially phone numbers!
- Phone nursery 01442 255418 if your child is going to be absent because they are ill.
- Complete a leave of absence form if you wish to take days out of nursery for holiday time. Forms are available from the nursery office.
- Put your child's name in their clothes so we can return them to you.
- Park safely and sensibly. (We are speaking with the local highways department to try and extend the parking bays available on Heath Lane for free parking while you drop off and collect.)
- Enjoy filling the smartie tubes for the **PTA Treasure Hunt**. We shall need them back after half term! My thanks to the PTA for organising this.
- Ask in the office if you would like to see the criteria for free school meals. You do not need to be booking a dinner to find out this information.
- Check you have all the nursery opening and closing dates in your diary. They are on the website if you need to check them. www.heathlane.herts.sch.uk
- Apply on line for a nursery place if you have a child born between 1.09.07- 31.08.08. Please tell all your friends with nursery aged children. Parents can contact the nursery to find out more after half term if they need more information.
- If you are registered with the children's centre you will know which activities are available over holiday periods. Please ask if you would like to know more. 01442 261043
- Let staff know if you have any concerns about your child or would like to know more about something at nursery and club.

Thank you for taking time to consider all these points. It really does help us to support you and your children.