

# PRESCHOOL NEWS

## Invoices

The invoices for next half term will be emailed next week. Payment is requested on the first week back after half term : Week commencing 25th Feb 19

## Half term

Preschool will be closed for half term from Monday 18th to Friday 22nd Feb 2019

## EASTER TERM SPACES

We have some spaces available on Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday afternoon, Thursday morning and all day Friday. If your child is turning 3 **before** 31st March you will be entitled to 15 hours free childcare from Easter (Starting 23rd April 2019). Please come to speak to the office if you want to increase your hours.

## Tax-Free Childcare

Age  
0-11  
or 16 if disabled

- For **working families**, including the self-employed, **in the UK**
- With **children under 12** (or **under 17 if disabled**)
- For every £8 you pay in, the government will add an extra £2, **up to £2,000 per child per year**

## 30 hours Free childcare

Please note that the government set the term dates for the 30 hours free childcare as follow (not us):

“Your child can start in their childcare place the term after they turn 3 years old and have received a valid 30 hours code, **whichever is later**. Term start dates are 1<sup>st</sup> September, 1<sup>st</sup> January and 1<sup>st</sup> April.

To keep your 30 hours free childcare place you need to check your details are up to date every 3 months.”

Please apply as early as possible to make sure you can use the 30 hours for Easter. You will need to provide your eligibility code to us at preschool and sign a parent consent form before we can claim the extra hours.

## Tax free Childcare Voucher

Not many parents are aware of the tax free childcare voucher scheme set up by HMRC.

It is worth having a look to see if you are entitled to it and save a little bit of money on childcare not just for preschool but for children under 12.

Check on <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

## Lunch Time Assistants

We are very pleased to welcome Dee and Emily as our new Lunch Time Assistant starting from next week.

## Skinny Jeans

Can we have other trousers rather than skinny jeans please. Children cannot get them down to wee and when they wet themselves they cannot get them off. Thank you.



Susan attended the NurseryWorld Show last week and came back with plenty of ideas and up to date information for our preschool. It was very worthwhile and a valuable experience.