



PRIMROSE HILL NURSERY

NEWSLETTER

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Happy New Year 2024!

Happy New Year to you all! We hope you have all had a good Christmas and your children didn't have you up too early on Christmas day! All staff would like to thank parents and children for all the lovely cards and presents we received.

We love to hear all the children's thoughts and experiences of Christmas and the holiday season. Please share anything that your child has been doing by uploading photos to their Learning Journey on Famly. The journal is a shared record, so please feel free to add to it with comments and photos at any time. It is always helpful for us to know children's current interests, as this helps us plan engaging learning activities.

Dates for your Diary

Last Day of Term

Friday 9th February

Inset Day (Nursery closed)

Monday 19th February

Nursery re-opens

Tuesday 20th February

World Book Day

Children can dress up all week
if they wish

Thursday 7th March

IMPORTANT - REGISTERING YOUR CHILD FOR SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Midnight 15th JANUARY 2024 is the deadline for making your application.

If your child will be starting school in September 2024, you should have already received a letter and information pack from the School Admissions Team advising you on how to apply for a school place.

In your application, we recommend adding more than one preference of school. You could disadvantage yourself by not using all of your preferences. If you only name one, you will only be considered for that school and if you don't get in, you could be allocated a school far away.

If you have any queries, please contact the Co-ordinated Admissions Team on 01452 425407 or email school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Apply online at

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/admission-to-reception-at-primary-schoolyear-3-junior-school/>



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School Readiness

As the children get ready to start school, there are some things we can help them to practise, at nursery and at home, so that they settle in more easily. They are:

- Putting on their own coat and doing up the zip.
- Practise taking off and putting on their own shoes. Try to use fastenings that your child finds easier rather than fiddly things like shoelaces.
- Supporting them to be independent when using the toilet, so they know how to wipe themselves, pull their clothes up and down, flush the toilet and wash their hands.
- Sitting at a table for meals and practising using a knife and fork. Think about items in their lunchbox and provide items that are easy for them to open themselves.

These are all things we encourage at nursery to build on children's independence and support them as they get ready for school.

Clothing and Labelling

We aim to play outside every day, unless conditions are hazardous, so please make sure that your child comes to nursery in suitable clothing and shoes.

We would also like to remind everyone to ensure that your child has their name clearly written on all clothing and other items such as lunch boxes and sandwich tubs. Some of our children have identical items and it is very easy to get them mixed up.



In Case of Severe Weather

In severe weather the nursery has the same procedure as the school. Therefore, if the weather is bad and it looks like the school may be closed then you can find out by going on to the GCC website and following the link www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures/ or you can also tune into BBC Radio Gloucester on 104.7FM and 1413MW. If you keep listening the lists are read (and revised) at regular intervals.

We will also message you on Family and put information onto the Nursery Facebook page.



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Last Term's Fundraising!

CHILDREN IN NEED 2023

The children came to nursery dressed in their pyjamas and onesies to help raise money for Children in Need. We raised £41.80 for this very worthy cause.

AUTUMN FAYRE 2023

Thank you to everyone who donated sweets for our sweet cones stall at Holy Trinity's Autumn Fayre in November and thanks to those that came and bought them at the fayre! We raised a fantastic £64 for the nursery, which went towards our Christmas party.

Thank you for your generosity.

Welly Walks!



This term we will be continuing our Welly walks on Fridays, where we plan to take the children out in small groups into the local community and the woods, weather permitting.

We will contact you on Family to let you know when your child will be taking part and will need to wear a named pair of wellington boots in the nursery and suitable warm outdoor clothing, as well as bringing a spare change of clothing (in case they get muddy) and shoes to change into when they return.

End of Term

The last day of term is Friday 9th February.

Half Term is 12th to 16th February.

Monday 19th February is an inset day (NO NURSERY)

Children return on Tuesday 20th February.