

# PRIMROSE HILL NURSERY

#### **NEWSLETTER**

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# Happy New Year 2025!

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.

We would also be grateful if you could send in any of your old Christmas cards so that our children can practice their scissors/cutting skills. Thank you.

# Dates for your Diary

**Last Day of Term** 

Friday 14th February

Inset Day (Nursery closed)

Monday 24th February

**Nursery re-opens** 

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

**World Book Day** 

Children can dress up all week if they wish

Thursday 6th March

#### **IMPORTANT - REGISTERING YOUR CHILD FOR SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER 2025**

### Midnight 15th JANUARY 2025 is the deadline for making your application.

If your child will be starting school in September 2025, 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 <a href="mailto:school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk">school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk</a>

Apply online at

Admission to Reception at Primary School/Year 3 Junior School & Lower to Middle school places for September 2025 | Gloucestershire County Council



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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 <a href="www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures/">www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures/</a> 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 Famly and put information onto the Nursery Facebook page.



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# Last Term's Fundraising!

#### **CHILDREN IN NEED 2024**

The children came to nursery dressed in their pyjamas and Pudsey clothes to help raise money for Children in Need. We raised £49.05 for this very worthy cause.

#### **AUTUMN FAYRE 2024**

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 £51.10 for the nursery, which went towards our Christmas party.

Thank you for your generosity.

## **Car Parking**

This is a polite reminder that the car park is for school and nursery staff only.

Please park considerately outside the school grounds and walk in. Thank you.

# **Nursery Uniform**

We have had lots of kind donations of Nursery Uniform. If you would like to purchase some second-hand uniform for a small donation (£1 per item), then please let a member of staff know at pick up/drop off.

#### **End of Term**

The last day of term is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

Half Term is 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February is an inset day (NO NURSERY)

Children return on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February.