



**1 November 2021**

**Dear Parents and Carers**

### **Newsletter 3**

A warm welcome back after half-term to everyone. We hope you had a nice family time.

#### **Communication**

The team would like to keep you well informed as much as possible about your child at Friary Preschool. Equally, we would also ask you to let us know any information / developments at home that may help us further support your child.

If a member of staff needs to contact parents regarding any concerns relating to their child, we will talk with you immediately.

For audit purposes, we kindly ask that all communications with the Preschool team both verbally and in writing by email or letter are in English.

#### **Preschool Parent / Carer Open Evening Session**

A reminder that the Preschool Parent / Carer Open Evening has been scheduled for Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, at 4pm. It would be helpful if you could please confirm if it is your intention to attend.

Please feel free to email or text Friary Preschool with any questions or information that you would like during the session so that we may prepare in advance.

#### **Tapestry**

A reminder that Parents and Carers can also upload photos to Tapestry. We would like to know what your child has been up to or what their interests are at home, this can help us to get to know your child better.

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## **Poppy Art Gallery**

We are inviting all families to take a part in the poppy art challenge. We would encourage you all to take part and prepare any poppy related work of art using all materials that can be found at home, especially recyclables, that take your inspiration.

Closing date for submissions is 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021. We are very excited and looking forward to seeing all your beautiful pieces of art.

## **Moon**

In November, the children will have a chance travel to the Moon! We are planning to build a rocket and meet aliens.

## **Illness**

We ask all Parents and Carers to only send your children to the Preschool if they are well enough. If your child needs Calpol before attending, then they will be deemed as unwell, and must not attend. Calpol can mask the signs of Covid-19 and therefore any child who has had it prior to attendance, will be asked to stay at home.

If your child develops symptoms of Covid-19 whilst at the setting, they will need to be collected immediately (preferably by a member of their household). Whilst waiting for collection, your child will be isolated from the main group with a member of staff until you arrive to collect them.

Parents and Carers are asked to contact the Preschool on the landline telephone number 01293 403873 if your child is sick or unable to attend the Preschool on the morning that they are due to attend.

Please inform us if your child is unwell.

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## **Covid-19**

In October, at Friary Preschool we had 2 positive cases of Covid 19 (1 child and 1 Preschool Practitioner). We appreciate your effort to test children with symptoms (using PCR test) and updating us with the results.

## **St Vincent de Paul (SVP)**

The Crawley Catholic Parish and Friary Preschool have strong links with the local SVP. The SVP is part of an international Christian voluntary network dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people and families in need.

If you are finding it difficult to feed yourself or your family, please call the Saint Vincent de Paul Society on: 07500 484058. All calls are completely confidential

## **French**

Si vous ne pouvez pas nourrir vous et votre famille nous pouvons vous aider appel SVP sur 07500 484058. Tous les appels absolument confidentiel.

## **Polish**

Jeśli nie jesteś w stanie wyżywić siebie i twojej rodziny możemy ci pomóc tel kontaktowy 07500 484058. Gwarantujemy całkowitą anonimowość.

## **Portuguese**

SE VOCÊ NÃO ALIMENTE VOCÊ OU SUA FAMÍLIA PODEMOS AJUDÁ-LO/LIGUE NO 07500 484058. ABSOLUTAMENTE TODAS AS CHAMADAS CONFIDENCIAIS

## **Funding – Funded 2 year olds and 30 Hours Extended Free Entitlement**

Parents and Carers are reminded that it is their responsibility to apply and obtain the necessary codes (if entitled) to cover the costs of additional child- care sessions. Friary Preschool will shortly be submitting estimated child headcount data to West Sussex County Council for the Spring Term.

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If you would like your child to continue to attend Friary Preschool and you are entitled to the Funding or Extended Funding, please check that your code is up to date or apply for the new code in good time before, 31 December 2021.

If you have not obtained a code in good time, then the Friary Preschool will potentially not be able to claim the cost of your child's place and we will need to charge you for the sessions that Funding is not available to be claimed.

If you have any questions or would like any support in completing the necessary applications /documents to obtain the Funding codes, please contact your local Children and Family Centre on 01243 777807 or by email: [free.childcare@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:free.childcare@westsussex.gov.uk).

### **Preschool Contact Details**

For general enquiries, these can be emailed to the Friary Preschool using the email address: [info@friarypreschool.co.uk](mailto:info@friarypreschool.co.uk) or by telephone on 01293 403873.

The Preschool mobile telephone number is 07305 375290. This telephone number should only be used in emergencies and only after you have called the main Preschool Landline on 01293 403873.

Warmest wishes

### **Friary Preschool Management Committee**

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