



## Newsletter 6

24 February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the second half of the Spring Term 2022. We hope you had an enjoyable half term with your children.

Thank you for your co-operation regarding our need to close on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> due to Storm Eunice.

There are some staff changes starting from this half term. The acting preschool manager is now Olivia Gailey as Agata Olczyk has resigned from her role as acting preschool manager and will be leaving us. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication and wish her well for the future.

This week we will be focusing on Shrove Tuesday on 1st March and Ash Wednesday on the 2nd March. One of the priests from the Friary will be coming into school on Ash Wednesday to mark the start of the Season of Lent. If you do not wish your child to have ashes on their forehead, please let a member of staff know when you bring your child to school that day.

World Book Day is on 3 March and World Book week – We ask if your child would like to dress up in their favourite book character. They are welcome to dress up any day during the week.

During the week starting Monday 21 March we will be working with the children on creating Mother's Day activities.

Please may I remind all parents to bring a labelled bag with a change of clothes, socks, underwear, spare shoes and a pack of wipes. If your child is still in nappies, can we ask for nappies and not 'Pull-Ups' please.

All items: coats, hats, scarves, bags, lunch boxes, and water bottles should be clearly marked with labels or permanent ink.

May I remind parents that Friary Preschool is a 'Nut Free' preschool which includes Nutella chocolate spread sandwiches.

We encourage children to have a healthy snack and would also like them to bring in a healthy lunch. We suggest : a cheese or ham, sandwich, a piece of fruit and a yoghurt. Please note that CRISPS, CHOCOLATE, BISCUITS and MUFFINS should be avoided and not sent in their lunch box. We do not heat food and recommend that warm food be placed in a hot food flask.

We will be having parents' consultation on Wednesday 9th March and Thursday 10th March. There will be 10 minute appointments, for each parent, from 3.45 pm to 5.00 pm. An appointment sheet will be available for you to fill in, if you would like to meet your child's keyworker.

If you are going to be late picking up it is important that you give us a call to make us aware.

Term ends on Friday 1st April and we return on Monday 25th April 2022. The reason this term is ending earlier is due to the fact that the children are only funded for 12 weeks and this term is a 13 week term which is unusual for a Spring Term. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience this causes for our families.

Thank you

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