



# Spring 2021 Newsletter

## 2 YEAR OLD UNIT

Do you or someone you know have a 2 Year Old — Did you know that your 2 year old could be eligible for up to 15 hours free childcare per week (for 38 weeks of the year). If you are in receipt of certain benefits or earn less than £16,190 per year you may be able to take up a place for your 2 year old the term after their second birthday. If you would like to check eligibility or need further information please call into the nursery office and speak to Jacqui.

**IMPORTANT—If you are eligible for 30 hours free childcare, please apply to [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk) once you have the eligibility code please inform nursery and we can claim extra funding to help all nursery children!**



We recommend that all adults wear a face covering when they drop off and collect their children each day. Kindly observe the 2m distance to help keep everyone safe. Thank you.

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## HOLIDAY DATES

**February Half Term**  
15.02.21 to 19.02.21

**Easter Holidays**  
02.04.21 to 16.04.21

**May day ~ Monday 03.05.21**  
**May Half Term**  
31.05.21 to 04.06.21

**Summer Holidays begin 26.07.21**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Chinese New Year w/c 8th February 2021**  
*Chinese activities in school*

**Pancake Day, Tuesday, 16th February 2021**

**World Book Day Thursday, 4th March 2021**  
*Fancy dress day*

**Red Nose Day Friday, 19th March 2021**  
*Wear something red and donate £1 for our link school in Gambia*

**Week commencing 29th March 2021**  
*Easter activities in school*

**Last day of Spring Term is Thursday, 1st April 2021**

## Class Dojo

We are using Class Dojo as a way of supporting the children with home learning and communicating with parents and carers. If you are having difficulty following the link or message that staff have sent out, please contact school on 0191 2735588.

## PARKING

As a result of the Local Council's decision to implement a cycle lane on Elswick Road there is no longer the facility to park outside of the nursery. Whilst we understand this can be inconvenient for some parents, it is for the safety of our children and we ask that you do not park here when dropping off / collecting your child.

This term we are learning about:

Winter Growing / Planting / Spring      Traditional Tales      Animals      Easter

Our favourite books this term:

Polar Bear, Polar Bear      The Snowball  
Goldilocks and the 3 Bears      3 Billy Goats Gruff  
Jack and the Beanstalk      Tiger who came to Tea  
Hairy Maclary      Farmer Duck      Rosie's Walk

## Packed Lunches

We are a healthy school and would ask if parents could limit sweet type snacks, chocolate, biscuits and crisps. As an alternative, why not try dried fruit (raisins and apricots) or yogurts, scones or cheese and crackers. If you have any questions about packed lunches please ask a member of staff.

## PHYSICAL ACTIVITY FOR EARLY YEARS

Throughout their day in nursery the children will have the opportunity to be involved in a range of physical activities both inside and outside. Please send your child to nursery with appropriate footwear, eg wellies, so they are able to join in these activities safely and easily.

Active children are healthy, happy, school ready children and sleep better.

**ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT— Good Attendance Habits Begin Early**  
**MISSING SCHOOL IS MISSING OUT— EVERY DAY COUNTS!!**