# What's the Hubbub?

## Easter Edition: April 22







Last term just whizzed by...I think that all the topsy turvy weather confused us all as we couldn't tell what month we were in from one day to the next. We made the most of being outside when we could and as always, the scooters were a massive hit and the most asked for outdoor item. I promise, we do try and encourage them to play with other items!



Easter Holidays...

Wow, we thought last term went quickly, it had nothing on how quickly the holidays went. Maybe because we packed them with so much fun, none of us really had time to stop and slow down.









We kicked the first week off with science day, which to be honest became more of a messy play/ sensory fun day. As soon as we put out the gloop ingredients and the children saw the water beads that was them all set for the day. We did offer them a couple of buildable science experiments and offered to talk to them through the different aspects of them but were shooed away so that everyone could just continue with the fun. Tuesday, we had team games which really helped everyone work on developing their new friendships along with their communication and Team building skills. Wednesday was baking day. This is always a favourite and the children really enjoyed getting hands on and stuck in with their super yummy and healthier treats. - although they didn't save me any fruity flapjack, which I really am most upset about! Thursday was meant to be a football workshop led by Dave, unfortunately COVID took him out of action for the week and meant that the children were in charge. By all accounts they loved designing their own football kits as part of a competition and there were a couple of children who loved being able to run training drills and set up skills practice and games with all of the other children. Friday was our nature day, children had the opportunity to release butterflies and search the grounds for different plants, bugs and wildlife as a part of our scavenger hunts.

Despite Liz and Dave both coming down with COVID during this first week, the children were fantastically supported by our holiday staff and several parent helpers. We are extremely grateful for all the support offered across this week and proud of our staff for stepping up and ensuring all the children enjoyed their time with minimal disruption.

The second week was filled with just as much fun and even more activities. Monday, we had another baking day, this time we were making our very own lunch in the form of pitta bread pizzas, we spent time teaching the children about healthy and unhealthy foods and how we can balance these in our diet. Tuesday, we had an arts and crafts day. The most popular activity by far happened to be chalking in the playground. I think this must have had something to do with the beautiful weather we had during the day and the children wanting to make the most of being outside in the sunshine. We made the most of this by also encouraging the children to find natural products and resources that they could use to make mandala art or natural pictures with both on the playground and within forest school. Wednesday we again spent the day outside in the sunshine, this time for our Tennis workshop. The children spent the day learning tennis skills and practising their hand eye coordination. We even managed to get a couple of short rallies going. Thursday was the day of our Easter Party, the children enjoyed playing a range of games. We even got the older children enjoying a game of extreme pass the parcel where they had to attempt to get through the many layers of masking tape, Sellotape, tin foil, clingfilm and tissue paper just to have opened one layer of the game. It was great watching everyone get involved and remember how to be kids again.







If you would like to try out any of our baking day or menu recipes for yourself, please follow this link:

HubbubASC Recipes

Sadly, even the best of things must come to an end and that was it for this holiday. However, we are now back into the swing of After School Club and have welcomed several new families to the club since Term began.

We now currently have popular After School collections from the following schools:

Temple Grove Academy	St Johns	St Mathews	St Peters
Broadwater Down	St James	St Marks	St Pauls

We still have availability for After School collections from these schools, if you would like to book your child in for a regular collection or even an ADHOC date then please get in touch or book via the system.

#### Dates for your diaries:

Hubbub will be closed during May half term. Due to the Queens Jubilee, the half term is only 3 days (M, Tu & W), so Liz and Dave have decided to close the club and spend some time with their own children.

We are also unfortunately closed to ADHOC bookings on the following dates:

W/C 6<sup>th</sup> June, W/C 13<sup>th</sup> June and Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. We are really sorry for any disruption this may cause our ADHOC families, however we are due to be short staffed due to holidays and have had to arrange our collections around our contracted numbers.

#### Hubbub keeps growing...

We are still looking for a suitable premises to run a second setting from. Please let us know if you hear of anywhere around the center to the bottom of Tunbridge Wells Town that has indoor space with a kitchen and access to outdoor space for the children to play.

We are also on the look out for staff who would like a few hours work in the week to help out with our After School Collections – this could also include school holiday hours if preferable too.

#### Please email Liz: hubbubasc@gmail.com

### Parent survey:

We like to check we are meeting the needs of all our families so periodically send out our parent survey so that you can give us your feedback and keep us reaching for the high standards that you expect from us. Please follow this link to complete the latest survey:

https://forms.gle/YZiNEp8QM7AofkLU9