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Happy New Year!

We hope you had a wonderful break. We are all pleased to be back and fully recharged, ready for a new term and all the exciting things we have planned. We would like to welcome Lucas, Rory, Sami, Megan, Joshua R, Theo and Ayman, we hope you will all be very happy here at Greenwood.



### New Climbing Frame

We have placed an order for the new climbing frame and hoping it will be installed at the end of January (weather permitting). Thank you so much for all the donations so far—we are still £9000 away from paying it off so keep an eye out for further fundraising events. If anyone has any suggestions for ideas or

knows a company that would be willing to donate or sponsor the pre-school, please do get in touch.

### Young Writers

Each year the Greenwood children are invited to enter a poem for My First Poem—All about me. Its easy to enter, all you need to do is complete the form (These will be sent home next week) with your child and return it to Greenwood by Monday 5th February. I will then send all the entries to Young Writers. The poems are then printed in a book which is available for you to buy.

For more information visit [My First Poem 2024 | Young Writers](#)

### Parent Stay and Play—SIGN UP NOW

The Parent Rota is now up on the Shed Door. It is open to parents (both Mummy & Daddy) or grandparents, whose child has been at Greenwood for a half term. Sometimes, if your child has been unsettled at pre-school, staff might delay asking you to participate in the rota at that particular time.

We would ask all parents to sign up to 2 half day sessions per term, if at all possible. Please ensure that this is a session your child attends.

Coming in on parent rota is a positive experience both for the child and parent. Children enjoy showing their parents what they do when they are here and it is equally important for parents as they see what happens during the session and get a greater understanding of what the children are doing. We understand that it is often difficult when parents work and have such busy lives but it really is a worthwhile opportunity for both you and your child.

Unfortunately, at the present time, no siblings are able to attend the session. We understand that this can cause problems with childcare for siblings, but accidents with younger siblings can and do happen and also parent rota is considered a special time for you and your pre-school child to share if at all possible.

### TERM DATES

#### Spring Term 2024

INSET DAY: Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2024 (Closed)

**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan – Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024**

Half Term: Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb– Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Mar 2024**

**Close at 11:45am On Wed 27th Mar.**

INSET DAY: Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 2024 (Closed)

Easter Holidays: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024

#### Summer Term 2024

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Bank Holiday Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024 (CLOSED)

Half Term: Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

INSET DAY: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun 2024 (CLOSED)

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024**

**Close ay 11:45am on Friday 23rd July**



### School Admissions for

#### September 2024

Don't forget that all families with children who are born between 1st September 2019 and 31 August 2020 need to apply for a place by 15th January for them to be allocated a school for September. Parent can apply online – full details and links to apply can be found in the guide below:

<https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/starting-infant-or-primary-school-ages-4-5>

## Snacks

We are always grateful for any donations of the following for the children to share at snack time.

We have a maximum of 26 children per session

Any fresh fruit or vegetable (that can be eaten raw)

Bagels, Bread, Muffins, Teacakes,

Oatcakes, Crumpets, Rice cakes, Melba Toast, Pittas,

Cheese, Cheese spread, Cheese Strings, tzaiki, salsa (very mild), thousand island dip, guacamole, Yoghurts, Fromage Frais.

We would like to promote health eating so please avoid anything that is high in salt or sugar.



### **Sweatshirts and Polo Shirts**

**We have had a delivery of aged 5-6 years uniform**

Don't forget to protect your children's own clothes by investing in one of Greenwood's sweatshirts or polo shirts.

Painting Bags are also available and are great for taking children's work and letters home.

Sweatshirts	£9.50
Polo shirts	£9.00
T-shirts	£6.00
Baseball Hats	£4.50
Legionnaires Hats	£5.00
Painting Bag	£5.00

Order forms will be available in the shed door!

### Communications

#### **Email**

Please add [greenwood@weycp.org.uk](mailto:greenwood@weycp.org.uk) to your address book to make sure you are receiving all correspondence.

#### **Facebook**

All parents are invited to join the Greenwood Facebook group "Greenwood Pre-school, Winnersh (Parents Group)". This is a closed group for information and question/answer purposes. Please do not post pictures of yours or other Greenwood children.

#### **Greenwood Website**

Please visit the Greenwood Pre-school Website: [www.thegreenwoodpreschool.co.uk](http://www.thegreenwoodpreschool.co.uk) which gives up to date information on the pre-school.

If you do have any queries then please ask a member of staff.

### **Safeguarding**

Greenwood is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and we expect all staff, volunteers, visitors and external agencies to share this commitment. Should you have any concerns please speak to Mrs K Bull, Designated Safeguarding Lead or Mrs Harte.

## **Domestic abuse will NOT be tolerated!**

**If you are a victim of domestic abuse, help and support is available 24/7**



In an emergency: **always call 999** if you can't speak, call 999 and dial 55.  
In a non-emergency: **Call 101** or **make a report online on our website.**

### Illness and Absence

Please can I remind you to let us know if your child will not be attending a session and the reasons why. You can let us know via email: [greenwood@weycp.org.uk](mailto:greenwood@weycp.org.uk) or leave a message on 0118 9797580.

