# TOWNSEND BARN NURSERY NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome back!

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter break, and the Easter bunny visited you all! We certainly enjoyed our parents Easter Stay and Play day last term and send a big thank you to those of you that came along to join in the fun. It certainly proved popular, and we know the children were so proud to show their nursery rooms and friends off to you all.

Although the Easter bunny had to change her plans at the last minute due to the weather, we still managed a quick egg hunt in the small gardens and great fun was had by all! Extra special thanks to Miss Vicky for our yummy Easter treats!





Easter Stay & Play!

This term we welcome seven new children and their families to Townsend Barn. We have a busy term planned which includes: a Coronation Party, Graduation Party and Sports day. Alongside of this the children will continue to learn through their experiences of play and individual interests. We also have a local author booked to visit the children and share her book with us on 26<sup>th</sup> April. Steph Johnson has written 'Steve The Stick' and will be bringing Steve to meet the children, as well as host some activities and read her story.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Red Nose Day this year. We did not ask for donations but are proud to say we raised  $\pounds 20.56$  for this good cause.

The nursery will be closed on 8<sup>th</sup> May for The King's Coronation bank holiday; however, we have agreed as a nursery we will not be charging parents for this additional voluntary bank holiday day as per usual nursery policy.



World Book Day

#### **Schools**

Don't forget primary school applications will be sent out on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Please let us know which school your child will be attending so we can invite them in later in the term to visit the children in their relaxed nursery setting prior to visiting school.



Giraffes can't dance!

### Funding

For those children who will be three years old before the Autumn term, please don't forget to check if you are eligible to claim 30 hours of funding to help with your childcare costs. If you are successful, please contact Sarah so she can validate your application. More information can be found on this and about **tax free** childcare savings at

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk This link also gives you the opportunity to apply for tax free childcare.





#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Start of Funding Monday 17th April 2023
- School Applications Published Monday 17th April 2023
- May Day Bank Holiday. Nursery Closed Monday 1st May
- Coronation Picnic Thursday 4th May
- Coronation Bank Holiday. Nursery Closed Monday 8th May
- Spring Bank Holiday. Nursery Closed Monday 29th May
- End of Funding Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023
- Start of Funding Monday 5th June 2023
- Graduation Party Wednesday 12th July 2023
- Sports Day Friday 21st July 2023
- End of Funding Tuesday 25th July 2023











If you would like to purchase Steve The Stick, here is the link!

