

# PREPCARE DAY NURSERIES

Summer 2023



## Dates to Remember...

### APRIL

17.04.23 - Term Time Children Return

19.04.23 - Zoo Lab visit Wednesday

Intermediate's & Pre-School (relevant parents have been contacted)

28.04.23 - Actual Funding deadline for 15/30 hours for Summer Term

### MAY

May - Forest School Stay & Play - Details Tbc

01.05.23 - Early May Bank Hol - Nursery Closed

W/C 01.05.23 - Coronation Celebrations - Details Tbc

06.05.23 - King Charles III Coronation

08.05.23 - Coronation Bank Hol - Nursery Closed

17 & 18.05.23 - Individual Photo's- Details to Follow

W/C 22.05.23 - Open Lunch week for Pre-School - Details to Follow

29.05.23 - Spring Bank Hol - Nursery closed

29.05.23 - 02.05.23 - May Half Term (TT)

### JUNE

June - Father's Day Stay & Play - Details Tbc

03.06.23 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Summer Term Starts (TT)

08.06.23 - Pre-School Trip to Hoo Farm and Zoo - Details to follow nearer the time.

09.06.23 - Birchfield School Summer Ball - Please contact Penny Simkin for tickets - [friendsofbirchfield@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbirchfield@gmail.com)

17.06.23 - King Charles III Birthday

18.06.23 - Father's Day

20.06.23 - Pre-Prep & Pre-School Sport's Day (Afternoon) - Details Tbc

30.06.23 - Pre-school Leavers Graduation assembly (Afternoon) -Details To Follow

### JULY

July - Toddlers & Intermediates Sport's Day - Details Tbc

06.07.23 - Pre-school Leavers Party (AM) - Details Tbc

07.07.23 - Interim Funding deadline for 15/30 hours - Autumn Term

25.07.23 - 04.09.23 - Term Time (TT) children break up for Summer Holidays

### AUGUST

28.08.23 - Summer Bank Hol - Nursery Closed

### SEPTEMBER

05.09.23 -Autumn Term Starts (TT)



April Ralph, Freddie P, Elliott, Izabella, Lula, Tina, Jane

May Louisa, Teddy P, Rian, James, Douglas, Ranulph, Roman, Carina, Claire, Rebecca, Kerry

June Sofia, Alice F, Max Fiona, Karen

July Arthur, Une, Chloe, Jovan, Sebastian, Emilia Amy, Monica, Sue J

August Alice S, Cathy, Ellie

## News from the Rooms

**Babies:** During the Spring term we have welcomed lots of new friends into the Baby Room. We have explored different textured tuff trays with all the colours of the rainbow in keeping with our topic of 'World of Colours'. We have also engaged in messy play, gluing, sticking and painting activities to celebrate Easter and the arrival of Spring. An example of this was through the Easter cards we made and sent home to our families. Next Term we will be exploring our topic of 'Around the World' and 'Bears'. We will do this through a variety of sensory tuff trays and activities. We hope to enjoy lots of outdoor play in some very much needed warmer weather!

**Tweenies:** During the Spring term we have done lots of activities including handprint sunflowers, cotton wool sheep and dotty rainbows. The children have enjoyed lots of sensory tuff trays, in particular where they had to dig in the soil to find the hidden vegetables! The children have enjoyed going on nature walks, taking in the sights and sounds of their environment, spotting aeroplanes, birds and flowers to name a few. For the Summer term we have said farewell to the children moving up to Toddlers and have welcomed some of the babies into Tweenies. We will be looking at our new topic of 'Around the World' and 'Bears', which will involve lots of exciting activities that will continue to awaken our senses! We will also be looking at animals and transport following on from the interests of the children.

**Toddlers:** It is the start of the Summer term and we have welcomed our new children and said farewell to the children moving to the Intermediate room. We will be looking at using a variety of materials in creating some art work for our Summer display's and artwork. To further the children's interests in Expressive Arts and Design the children will be making play dough and engaging in lots of messy play activities. During Nature Detectives we will be exploring the changes that are taking place around us as well continuing to care for our flowers and plants. We will also be exploring the outdoors more and encouraging lots of physical movement individually and as a group to allow turn taking and following instructions. The children will be given opportunities to enhance their imaginations in play. We will use 'circle time' as well as all the opportunities provided throughout the day to enhance language as well as learning how to share and be kind to each other.

**Intermediates:** During the Spring term we have followed the children's interest and introduced them to 'time', learning how to identify the hour and the long and short hands. The children have enjoyed various craft activities celebrating Easter and Spring and exploring the meaning of 'new life and new beginnings'. Intermediates have donned their lab coats and taken part in science experiments exploring colour and colour mixing! They have particularly enjoyed looking at the story of 'The Snail and the Whale', where they made their own interactive beach/rock scene, complete with their very own handmade lighthouse! For the Summer Term we will focus on our topic and travel 'Around the World'. We have started to investigate natural and manmade features of the world in the forms of volcanoes, mountains, lakes and famous buildings and structures. To further enhance this topic, we will be celebrating St George's Day and Eid by creating our own mehndi patterns and exploring fashion, culture and foods. We will also be getting our hands in the soil and planting our own seeds, learning how to care for them as well looking at the life cycle of a plant.

**Pre-School:** Over the last term we have been using our Expressive Arts and Design and Understanding of the World skills to explore 'Space' and make planets out of plaster of paris. The children have been getting into their space suits and flying off in their rockets to visit Mars and the Moon. We have spoken about and explored Spring, looking at the beautiful colours that have been appearing in the changes taking place. To further enhance our learning and topic, we have enjoyed celebrating Holi, the festival of colour! The children have also learned about St David's Day. This term we are going to be looking at the 'World Around Us'. We look forward to making and trying new foods as well as continuing to share the experiences we have had visiting new places and countries. We also look forward to celebrating HRH King Charles III's coronation. It's that time of year, where we will be celebrating our time at the nursery and preparing for our next adventure in our new Reception classes!

Thank you to all our parents and families for their continued support!

Monica Sangha, Deputy Manager

### Pre-School Dates

(Birchfield Reception 2023 Starters only): -

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> June - 10am-10.30am Storytime with Mrs Grant-King (Parents welcome)

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 9am-11.30am - Stay & Play, Information meeting & Tedy's Bear Picnic.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 8am-8.30am - Settling In