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Chelford Village Preschool Newsletter

Welcome to our weekly newsletter! We hope to bring you lots of information each week about what we've been up to as well as what's happening in the term ahead.

The week ahead . . .

Next week we will be taking a break from our Things that Grow topic to celebrate the Royal Coronation.

As a once in a lifetime occasion, we'd like to use the opportunity to learn about our royal family.

We are really looking forward to sharing lots of regal activities with all our princes and princesses!

Please don't forget to get crafting this week at home and bring your fabulous Coronation Crowns in for next Friday 5th May.

We will of course be keeping a regular eye on our chicks this week, and keeping up with their growth each day on our countdown to hatching board.

Session Availability

Unfortunately, all our sessions for the remainder of this academic year are **totally full**, and we have no extra ad hoc availability.

We are also fully booked for the next academic year ahead, from September 2023, and a waiting list is now in place.

If you have already discussed your requirements for the next year ahead, 2023-24, then rest assured that your sessions will be confirmed, if you are in any doubt, please email to check.

Our earliest availability now starts in September 2024, if you have any younger siblings who may be interested in starting with us after September 2024, then please get in touch to discuss your requirements and put their name down for a place as soon as possible.

Chicken Pox

We have had a few cases of Chicken Pox in preschool, hopefully these are isolated cases, but please keep a look out for the symptoms.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/>

We have been learning . . .

Egg . . .citing News!! Our eggs finally arrived in preschool on Friday this week.

The incubation period is 21 days, and we are officially on the countdown to hatching. This week the children have been enjoying lots of chick and egg related activities as we have been preparing for their arrival!

This week the children have really enjoyed the following animation showing what happens inside the egg over the 21 day incubation. If you would like to share this with your children please check out:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PedajVADLGw>

We have also been getting involved in MORE PLANTING this week too. Inspired by the book 'Plant the Tiny Seed' we have been planting tomatoes.

Hopefully every child should have brought a tomato plant home this week. We have asked the children to take photographs of their tomato plants as they grow, so please send us your updates on tapestry.



Events this term . . .

Coronation Celebrations – Friday 5th May

Please come to preschool wearing something red, white and blue. We are collecting for Crackerjacks Charity, so please bring a donation. We are also holding a crown competition. Please help your child to make a crown at home and bring it in on Friday 5th May for our best crown parade!

Parents Consultation Meetings – May 15th -19th 2023

This half term we will be welcoming parents into preschool to talk about your child's progress, and their next steps. Individual emails have been sent to parents this week, please check your inbox, and reply by Friday 5th May, with your **three** choices of time slot, and I will get back to you to confirm your appointment.

Unfortunately I cannot guarantee you will get your chosen session but we will do our best.

Egg Hatching Day – Friday May 19th (. . .ish)

Hatching Day, Day 21, will be around Friday 19th May. Once the chicks are hatched, they will be in preschool for about a week before they go back, we'd like as many parents as possible to come and see our new arrivals, so Preschool will be open from 9am for you to come and have a look with your children. Unless your child is booked to attend the early drop off, please do not leave your children with us until 9.15am.

Can you help?

We are looking for someone to help put some picture shelves up in preschool, and some wellie racks on the walls outside. If you have the time and the skills to help, please email to let me know.

We are also looking for some IT help. Our website is desperately in need of an overhaul, if anyone has any recommendations, connections, or relevant experience we would be really interested



