

QUEENS ROAD METHODIST CHURCH PRE-SCHOOL
Newsletter Term 5 April – May 2019

**Respecting Individuality, Valuing the whole child,
Working together to learn and grow**

Note to all new and remaining parents – Here are Queen’s Road Pre-school, we see ourselves as a family. If you could bring in a picture of your child to put on our display, it would be much appreciated. If returning children haven’t got a picture displayed yet; we would love to have one of them too.

Welcome to the new term, we hope you all had a good Easter break

Term Dates:

Term 5

Start: Tuesday 23rd April

Finish: Friday 24th May 2019

Term 6

Start: Monday 3rd June 2019

Finish: Tuesday 23rd July 2019

Morning session: 9 - 12
Afternoon session: 12-3
All day: 9 - 3

Changes in your details: It is very important that we keep our records up to date so please let us know if you change your address or telephone number (including mobile number). Also ensure your mobile is switched on just in case we need to get in touch, thank you.

Clothing:-

Just to remind you that each child needs a change of indoor shoes, an individual towel and a complete change of clothes. Please make sure **all** your child’s belongings are **clearly named**, as some children have similar items, this is most helpful to both the staff and children.

If you wish to purchase a pre-school T-shirt or sweatshirt please see a member of staff. May I ask that you avoid using carrier bags for daps etc as these can be a suffocation hazard.

Parent Help: If you feel you can spare some time to come and help on a session, please put your name on the parent rota form on the notice board, the children enjoy another person to play with and an extra pair of hands is always welcome, you never know you might even enjoy it!

Mobile Phones: Please note that mobile phones are not permitted to be used at pre-school, please do not use them when you drop off or pick up from the setting

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Tune – Hickory dickory dock

Inky the mouse is my pet
She spilled the ink and got wet
The ink it spread
all over the desk

/i/ /i/ /i/ /i/ - inkys’ wet

Action – pretend to be a mouse by wiggling your fingers at the end of your nose, like whiskers and squeak /i/ /i/ /i/ /i/

Pre-school Lunches

Just a reminder that we ask you to bring a small plate with your child’s lunch, also we supply the drinks so please do not send one in their lunch box.

Bicycles and Scooters:-

If your child rides a bicycle or scooter to pre-school, could you please take these back home with you, for health and safety and fire regulations we cannot have them left on the premises, if you do bring them for your child to ride home

please leave on the patio while you collect your child, sorry for any inconvenience this might cause. If you want to leave them tied to the blue gate at the entrance you can, but they will not be covered by our insurance and we accept no liability. You can leave pushchairs or car seats if necessary in the corridor

Dates for your diary:

June 8th – Summer fair (To be confirmed)

June 12th – Summer Outing to Weston (letter to follow shortly)

July 16th – Concert at 11 o'clock

July 18th – Sports day at 2 o'clock

July 23th – End of year service at 11 o'clock

The children and staff appreciate your support at these events, more details will follow nearer the times

Interest Topics:

	Interest	Colour	Phonic	Number
Week beg, 23 th Apr	Phonic 'i'	White	i	7
Week beg. 30 th Apr	Smell	Pink	h	8
Week beg. 6 th May	Turkey	Red	m	9
Week beg. 13 th May	Down on the farm	Brown	d	10
Week beg. 20 th May	Triangles	Yellow	e	1

We like the children to be involved in these interests, so please continue to encourage your child to bring things in from home **(named if possible)**

Picking up early - If you are picking up children early please let us know when you drop off so we can ensure safety when letting children go home.

We would like to encourage the children to have healthy meals please could you refrain from giving your child/ren sweets and chocolate in their lunch boxes Thank you.

There have been a lot of illness going around, unfortunately young children are prone to catching these bugs and their immune system is still developing, when a child has been unwell and they come back too soon they can easily catch the next illness, it is sensible to keep your child home until s/he is well enough to fight off other germs.

We are always happy to discuss with you how your child is progressing, if possible at the beginning of the session. However, if you wish to speak to the staff in more detail, please arrange an appointment at a mutually convenient time. For security reasons, it is important that all staff are vigilant at the end of each session to make sure that the children go home with the right parent/carer.

As always, if you have any concerns about your child's stay at pre-school, please do not hesitate to speak to me or your child's key Person.

Ginny Ireland
Manager