

April 2019

# Newsletter



Welcome back to the summer term at Happy Faces! There is lots going on this term as we head into the warmer weather and into the long summer holidays! But before then we have plenty of exciting activities planned!

We are starting back this half term with the stories Jack and the Beanstalk and Jasper's Beanstalk. We will be growing beans and lots of different plants in the garden. We will also be exploring the stories and having lots of fun retelling them!

Please make sure you let us know which school your child will be going to in September if they are leaving us. This will help us with planning their transition into big school!

Diana André  
Preschool Manager

## Sunny weather

We are hoping we will soon begin to get sunny weather, which means we are thinking about keeping healthy in the sun!

We have a large collection of hats at preschool which we will expect children to wear if they are outside in sunny weather. We find it easier for children to use preschool hats rather than children bringing in their own and losing them.

We can also apply sunscreen if you have signed the permission on your child's enrolment form, however it is helpful if you know it is going to be sunny to apply sunscreen before coming to preschool. As sunscreen lasts for a few hours this would be ok for a child who is with us for half a day. Please let us know if you have already applied sunscreen.



## Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to all who came to the Easter egg hunt at the end of last term! We hope you all had fun and enjoyed your Easter eggs. Well done to those who won special prizes!

## Sandals

If your children will be wearing sandals to preschool, please make sure they have closed in toes. Open toe sandals are not safe in a preschool environment due to children running around and also the potential for bikes to run over their toes. Please provide a pair of closed in sandals or plimsols for your child to wear while at preschool.



## Dropping off and Collecting

Please park respectfully when dropping off and collecting your children. There are often lorries going up and down the road with deliveries to the Wisdom factory and cars can block the road if not parked correctly.

Could we also ask that parents use respectful language when dropping off and collecting children, particularly when in or around the preschool where children are playing.

## Funding/Invoices

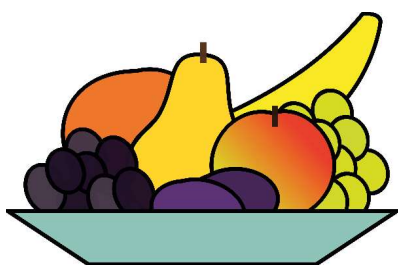
If your child is entitled to funding for their place at preschool we will soon be asking you to fill in the funding forms.

We will also be sending out invoices for this coming term during the next week. Please make sure your payments are up to date.



## Snack

Thank you for contributing items for our snack time!



## Committee

The following people make up our committee. The committee is responsible for running and overseeing the preschool.

Chair - Maureen Byrne  
Treasurer - Roger André  
Committee member Pat Hanlon

## Tapestry

Don't forget to check Tapestry to see your child's learning and progress. If you would like to discuss how your child is getting on, we are always willing to talk to you.

## Term Dates

Summer Term 2019  
24th April 2019 – 18th July 2019  
Half Term: 27th May 2019 – 31st May 2019



## Helping My Pre-school Child

Most pre-school children are fascinated by books, sounds and letters and parents are keen to support and encourage this. However, many people are unsure about how children will be taught to read in schools and are concerned that they don't want to do anything that may confuse or disadvantage their children in any way. Don't worry. Anything that you do to develop your child's love of language is a good thing.

Read anything and everything that your child is interested in (including catalogues, take away menus etc). You don't have to read all (or any) of the words each time. Remember to use silly voices, make sound effects, pull faces, act things out, talk about what you can see, talk about what you both think and feel and generally have a whale of a time.