

# HELMDON ACORNS NEWSLETTER

DATE - 10TH MARCH 2017

## Update from this week.



A very muddy Forest School area provided an excellent backdrop to "Going on a Bear Hunt!"; apologies for the additional washing generated! We made some lovely Spring pictures and looked at emerging seedlings. The fine Weather allowed us to set up a musical activity stand outside which engrossed lots of the children.

We had a go at learning a Zumba dance with some great moves being demonstrated and enjoyed planting up some of the raised beds in the garden.



### Dates for your diary:

- ◆ **Saturday 11th March**  
- Fundraiser food quiz
- ◆ **Tuesday 14th March**  
- Committee meeting
- ◆ **Monday 20th March**  
- Parent Consultation evening - details below
- ◆ **Tuesday 28th March** - Gardening Morning
- ◆ **Friday 31st March** - Last day of term
- ◆ **Wednesday 19th April** - First day of term



### **Stars of the week:**

<b>Yellow Group</b>	SOPHIE
<b>Green Group</b>	DARCIE
<b>Blue Group</b>	ALEIGHA
<b>Red Group</b> (to follow)	ARTHUR
<b>Purple Group</b>	CHARLIE

## Next week

Our thoughts will turn to Easter, we hope to make some cards which the children will post home. This will be complimented by a role play Post Office.

The children are enjoying looking at the life cycles of various insects and animals so we will be extending that learning.

We hope to get outside even more with some new ball games and some other new resources.

### Parent Consultations—20th March 4-6pm

Many parents have signed up for these; the sheets are in the cloakroom if you have missed them. Parents of children NOT starting school in September will have received a printed copy of a report on their child's progress next this week. Please return to us with your comments for discussion at the parents evening. Children transitioning to school will receive their report in May.

## Committee News

### 'Food For Thought' Quiz Night

Final arrangements are now in place and we're all ready for the event on Saturday night. It looks set to be a busy and fun evening and we look forward to testing your taste-buds & knowledge!

Acorns Pre-school relies heavily on these fundraising events to help continue to provide **fantastic** opportunities and care. Your support really is very much appreciated- Thank You!!!



Our next committee meeting will be taking place at Acorns on Tuesday 14th March at 7.30pm.

The next gardening morning will take place on Tuesday 28th March - If anyone would like to volunteer just an hour or two of their time to help keep on top of the outside space, it really would be very much appreciated. Please see a member of the committee or staff for more information.

## Who's who, staff and committee:

Setting Manager—Liz Hart

Deputy Supervisors - Kim Sadler and Susanna Morgan

Senior Practitioners - Zofija Wilson

Practitioners - Victoria Webster, Gina Rayner, Emma Houghton, Rebecca Fletcher

Chairperson - Lorna Clarke

Vice Chairperson - Gary Wilson

Secretary - Kat Carter

Treasurer - John Gray

Committee - Ros Spence, Lynne McLuckie, Lorraine Aust, Jo Page, Charlotte Riley, Astrid Hernandez

#### **Fees**

Many thanks to all those who have paid promptly, our fees are set as low as possible as we are non-profit making so we rely on them arriving in a timely fashion to cover our outgoings.



Forest school takes place on Mondays to ensure all children get the chance to participate. Please dress your child appropriately