



"We will work in partnership with you to continue to build the unique foundations for your child's learning"

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2017

we would like to take this opportunity to
Welcome our new families to Abbey Wood
Nursery School and say a big welcome back
to those families returning from last year.

Half Term School Fund Donation - Every term we ask parents if they can make a termly donation of just £5.00 to help the school towards snacks that the children have throughout their school day. This money is greatly needed by the school and goes a long way to help us fund snacks especially when schools are facing more funding cuts. If your child has a place on the 30 hour entitlement your donation is included in your Sundry charge. Please use the envelope provided and hand into the office.

Thank you for your support.

GATE TIMES FOR COLLECTION/DROP OFF OF CHILDREN

Please note that the side gate to the main nursery which you use to collect/drop off children is on a timer.

The times are: **AM:** 9.00 - 9.15
11.45 - 12.00
PM: 12.15 - 12.30
3.00 - 3.15

Please note if the gate is locked you must enter or leave the nursery via the main reception door which is by the office. **If you are late** you must go to the office and let them know that your child is here with a reason for lateness which has to be entered onto the register on our computer system.

GATE ONTO THE ROAD

Please ensure you slide the bolt across the gate and **only** let your child through.

**FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL OUR CHILDREN
PLEASE ENSURE YOU CLOSE ALL GATES
BEHIND YOU.**

When phoning the school please choose **Option 1**, we don't have phones in our class rooms.

Option 1 will get you through to our school office.



MOBILE PHONES

DO NOT USE YOUR MOBILE PHONE WHEN ON THE SCHOOL PREMISES.

THIS IS TO SAFEGUARD YOUR CHILDREN.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Sickness** - When your child is off from school can you please ring the office, OPTION 1, and let the office know the reason for child's absence, otherwise it will be recorded as an absence with no reason given.
- **Contact forms** - please remember to let the office know when you have changed your telephone numbers. It is very important that we are able to contact you in an emergency. **Only people who are listed on the contact form can collect your child from school, they must be over 16 years old.** You can add names of people at any time through the main school office. If you send someone to collect your child who is not on the contact form, then we will not allow your child to go home with them.
- **School sweatshirts and book bags** - please remember to put your child's name in them as lots of children have the same sweatshirts and it would be impossible to find your child's if it is not named.
- **Coats** - please remember to put your child's name in.
- **Book Borrowing** - you are able to borrow books to take home on any day. This can be arranged in your child's class.
- **School Uniform Prices** - sweatshirts £8.00, polo shirts £6.50, t-shirts x 2 £5.00, book bags £5.00 and hats £2.50. You can purchase these from the office, could you please pay by cheque or bring the correct money with you as we don't hold much change.
- **Birthdays** - Please only send in fruit for your child to share with their class to celebrate their special day. We have many children with allergies so we cannot accept party bags/sweets/cakes. Please don't ask the class teacher/staff as refusal often offends.

Dates for your Diary

- **6th October** - Dentist visit to talk to children about Oral Hygiene
- **16th - 20th October** - Heritage Week (please see flyer for more information)
- **17th October** - Storyteller
- **18th October** - Bring dad/male carer to school day - information to follow
- **20th October** - Culture/Story character dress up day
- **23rd - 27th October** - Half Term
- **6th November** - Staff Training Day

Parent Governors

We have vacancies for Parent Governors. Information, leaflets and nomination forms are available from Gill. If you would like to talk to one of our present Governors then we are happy to arrange a meeting. The closing date for nominations is Monday 9th October 2017.

Greenwich Foodbank Harvest Appeal 2017

Demand for Emergency Food Continues to Increase – Can you Help?

Since 2009 the Greenwich Foodbank has been helping to provide food parcels to families and individuals in an emergency in the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

Last year schools donated over 8 tonnes of food to this worthy charity. We would like Abbey Wood Nursery school to take part this year and to try to help people in our own community who are in an emergency situation.

We need tinned food such as tins of peas, carrots, fruit, custard, rice pudding together with long-life milk and fruit juice.

The charity has asked that we do not send in pasta or baked beans as they already have enough of these items in stock.

If you would like to contribute please bring your items in to school by
Wednesday 18th October.

We now have Sweatshirts and Book bags in stock.

Book bags £5.00

Sweatshirts £8.00

You can purchase these items from the school office.

Best Wishes, Clare and Staff