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Dear Parents,

The children will once again, over the coming months, have the opportunity to have lots of fun with different activities and events planned. Please remember to check our website for all the latest news.

Some of you may not be aware that since September we have been registered with Ofsted on the Early Years Register to enable us to accommodate a small number of two-year-olds in the nursery. We are pleased to let you know that in January, we welcomed an Ofsted Inspector to inspect the nursery, and judge how well we meet the needs of the two-year-olds. We are delighted to say that the judgment is 'Outstanding'! If you wish to read the full report it is available at reception or can be found through the link on our website.

The Children's Centre

There is always a lot going on at the Children's Centre. You may have seen recently in the local press that fifty families joined BBC TV's CBeebies star Pui Fan Lee at the Centre to celebrate the launch of The Organic Cookery School's weaning project. The day was a great success and the staff were pleased to help launch the event with Lucy May, director and founder of the Organic Cookery School.

Please ask a member of staff for details of our groups.

Don't forget our Outreach Drop-in Baby and Toddler groups:

Mon – Wootey, ABCB Building, 9.15 – 10.45 a.m.

Tues – Holybourne, Village Hall, 1.45 – 3.15 p.m.

Wed – The Den, 1.30–3.00 p.m.

Please note, additional information about what is on can also be found on the notice board, the website and the digital screen at reception. These are continually being updated with events and activities that are on in the Centre, as well as in the local area.



Congratulations to Kim and Ashley Woolford and family on the arrival of Oliver, who was born on the 17th February weighing 8lb 8oz.

Lunch Club

We would like to take the opportunity to say how much the children at nursery are enjoying the Lunch Club. It is proving very popular and we can only apologise if your child has been unable to gain a place.

Due to the numbers can I remind parents/guardians to make sure your child's sandwich bag/box is clearly marked with their name on it, as a number of containers are similar in design. Thank you



Alton Buckle along with MEND are running a free programme for families whose children are aged between 5 -7 and may be concerned about their child's weight. The 10 weekly sessions of fun family activities, information and games to help lead to healthier lives start on Wednesday 23rd April at Alton College, Old Odiham Road, Alton from 3.45 – 5.45 p.m. If you wish to register or find out further information please contact

Alison Cliffe on 01420 81267 or 0750 930044 or email A.Cliffe@bushyleaze.hants.sch.uk
You may also pick up a leaflet at Bushy Leaze reception.

Friends of Bushy Leaze arranged a 'Name the Bear' competition. Jessie-Joe won the bear, as it was named Brownie.

Once again there are a number of fundraising events taking place over the coming months. On Saturday 28th June a group of both parents and staff will be doing tandem parachute jumps. Watch out for further details of the brave souls taking part.



The Alton NAS meet on a regular basis at Bushy Leaze. They would like any parents and carers of children and young people with Autism/Social Communication difficulties to feel free to meet up on any of the following Fridays: 7th March, 4th April, 2nd May, 6th June and/or 4th July.

It is a great opportunity to meet other parents, make friends and share experiences. For further information, please contact 07824 372034.

Once again we are collecting **Sainsbury's Active Kids** vouchers. We wish to thank you in advance for your support. We hope you agree this is very beneficial in helping us to gain extra sporting equipment for all the children, which results in them not only being active but having fun whilst doing so.



Alton Lions Fundraising

It may not be long before you see large eggs and un-named lions appearing in Alton and surrounding areas, as once again Alton Lions will

be fundraising for Bushy Leaze. The idea will be to choose a name for the lions for a payment. The draw normally takes place before the Easter holiday. The winners not only receive an egg, but also a lion.

Car Park

Just before half term a kitten was run over and badly injured at the entrance to the houses at the end of Eastbrooke Road. The car driver had been unable to use the turning circle as people were parked in it, blocking it off. This highlights the need to be very careful in Eastbrooke Road and look out for both children and animals. Please leave the turning circles clear. Now that the weather is improving, it would be good if more people could take the opportunity to walk.



Dates for your Diary

Last day of term: Friday 4th April

Easter Holiday: Mon 7th April – Mon 21st April

SUMMER TERM

Inset Day Tuesday 22nd April

Back to school: Wed 23rd April

BANK HOLIDAY School closed Mon 5th May

Half Term Holiday: Mon 26th May – Fri 30th May

Back to school: Mon 2nd June

Last Day of Term: Tuesday 22nd July

Closed for INSET days on Wednesday 19th March, Tuesday 22nd April and Wednesday 23rd July.

Finally

Thank you to all the Nursery children who took part in the ICan Chatterbox Challenge event on Friday 14th February. They managed to raise the sum of £81.14 for the Communication Charity.



