**Spring Term** **2025**

**Newsletter**

**Spring Dates 2025**

**Half term –** Monday 17th-Friday 21th February

**Closed for Easter** – Monday 7th April 2025

**Closed for Inset day -**Tuesday 22th April 2025

**Children return -** Wednesday 23rd April 2025

**National Heart Month**

<https://echo-uk.org/fundraising-ideas/national-heart-month/>

February is National Heart Month, please see above link for more information to help raise awareness we are asking for children to wear red to pre school on Friday 14th February thank you.

**Upcoming Events**

World book day Tuesday 6th March – We would love all the children to come to pre school dressed as their favourite book character and we will be doing lots of fun word activities on the day.

Red Nose Day Friday 21st March – Please come to pre school dressed as colourful and as silly as you can to help support the charity We would ask for a donation of £2 or more that will be sent to the charity . We will be holding a cupcake/cake sale, please donate homemade cakes/cupcakes which will be up for sale at the day to raise further funds. We will do lots of fun filled activities again for this day.

We will also be taking part in science week during March with lots of planned exciting experiments for all your budding Einstein’s to take part in.

Finally, we will be holding our annual Easter Egg hunt for all the children on Friday the 4th of April with lots of fun Easter activities going on throughout the day. If your child does not usually attend on a Friday and you would like them to attend on that day, please let Taira know.

Staff News

We are happy to welcome Jack who some of you have already met to our team as a level 3 apprentice, he is a very welcome addition to Noah’s Ark and we are lucky to have him.

We are also looking forward to Amanda starting with us on the 24th of February as an experienced level 3 practitioner, we can wait for her to start!

**Reminders**

Please can you make sure that your child has a change of spare clothes, whilst attending Pre-School. As it is still wet and cold can you please provide for your child either waterproof trousers or all-in-one for when we go to the forest and also a pair of wellies. Also please bring appropriate clothing, depending on the weather. Please can you bring a pair of comfortable indoor shoes, so the children can change into them, when they are in the main hall.

**Timings**

Please remember that the sessions start at 8.00am or 9.00am in the mornings and 12.00pm or 12:30pm in the afternoon. We will be opening the doors at these exact times as we need to prepare before children enter. It is difficult for us to keep opening the door, as it disturbs the session and activities that are taking place. This is also for safeguarding reasons, Also for your child to gain the full experience of preschool, the full 3 hours is essential.

**Invoices**

Please ensure that all invoices are paid in full in the first week of the month, these will be handed out at the beginning of each month, this includes snack invoices.

Please ensure that any snacks or lunches that are brought into the pre-school are healthy with no chocolate and are also completely nut free and that fruit and vegetables are cut into bite size pieces, also if you pack grapes please make sure that they are cut into quarters if they are large or in half.

Thank you again for all the support that you have given us through the year, we couldn’t ask for a better bunch of parents and children.