



March 2025 Newsletter

World Book Day Thursday 6th March

WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be celebrating World Book Day from Wednesday 5th March until Monday 10th March. We will be looking at The Gingerbread Man by Judy

Hamilton on Wednesday 5th, The Tiger Who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr on Thursday 6th and The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson on Friday 7th and Monday 10th. Please allow your child to dress up during this week but there is no requirement to purchase anything specially for the event as we have plenty of dressing up items for the day.

Employment



Would any of you be interested in a term time only job supporting children during the busy lunch period from approximately 11.45am until 1.15pm? Ideally this would be every day but could be shared between two people.

You would be required to complete a Level 2 Food Hygiene online course funded by The Saplings Pre-School and the position would be subject to a DBS clearance and two satisfactory references.

If you are interested, or know anyone who may be, please let me know.

30 Hour Funding



If your child is 3 before 1st April 2025 and you are eligible for 30 hours funding, please let me know how you wish to use your additional hours.

If you have been issued with a temporary code please let me have your permanent code as soon as it is issued.

Welcome



We would like to welcome Nelly-Rose back to Saplings and Aarav and Aurelius to Acorns.

Education



Are you a working parent? Is your child aged 9 months plus before 1st September 2025? If so, your baby/child may be eligible for the governments' entitlement for 30 hours

free childcare from 1st September. If you are currently claiming 15 hours and are intending on increasing your hours with us please let me know what you would like so that I can ensure that we do not offer spaces to new babies before your child's allocation is booked. We have received many new enquiries for spaces from September especially for babies.

Health and Safety



Food Reminder: Please ensure your child does not bring nuts, chocolate or sweets in any form to pre-school. Please ensure that sausages, tomatoes, grapes and olives are chopped lengthways in half as these items are major choking hazards. Please ensure that all new lunch boxes and drink bottles are labelled.

Thank you.

Dates for Diary



End of Term Friday 4th April 2025

Summer Term Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Monday 5th May – May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 26th May – Thursday 5th June Summer Half Term

A calendar of opening times can be found on our web site www.saplingspreschool.co.uk under 'Our Week'.

Planning We will look at:



Shrove Tuesday – Tuesday 4th March

World Book Day – Thursday 6th March

St Patrick's Day – Monday 17th March

Red Nose Day – Friday 21st March

Mother's Day – Sunday 30th March

Spring and then Easter

With thanks Carol and the pre-school' team