

**Dates for your diary**

Half term – Monday 12th – Friday 16th February

Friday 16th February – Chinese New Year

World Book Day – Thursday 1st March (Fancy Dress)

Friday 9th March – Great Mother’s Day Bake Off 9:30am & 2pm (decorating biscuits and cake competition!

Tuesday 27th March – Animals About Town

Nursery Closed – Friday 30th March to Monday 2nd April (Easter weekend) Nursery reopens Tuesday 3rd April

There is a lot of research suggesting the benefits of young people and the elderly spending time together. With this in mind, we have visited the old people from Ebony Care in order to provide this opportunity for young and old to interact. The children have sung songs, baked biscuits and simply enjoyed spending time and chatting to the residents. We hope to continue this in the future.

The children have been working very hard to sprinkle kindness like confetti. Over the last term we have:

* Baked for people in the community
* Helped at the community gardens
* Been involved in our own SBNS Rocks project
* Said please, thank you and sorry
* Visited the residents of Ebony Care

We would like to continue promoting kindness with the children. If you would like to be involved and help supervise on outings, please let us know.

Welcome back everyone and Happy New Year! Thank you for your continued support.

Please can you look to see if you have any of our spare clothes at home. Our supply of spare clothes is running very low.

If you, or someone you know is having a sort out, we are always grateful for donations of boys and girls:

* Tops
* Trousers
* Socks

Some of our learning this term will focus on Winter and how the season changes the environment. We will also be reading *Say Hello to the Snowy Animals*. Our learning will also cover different celebrations such as Valentine’s day, Chinese New Year and Mother’s day.



Children’s Fund: Our mini moneybox is situated at the entrance to our room. All money collected will go directly towards buying something for the children in our room and allows us to purchase extra resources which will benefit their learning and development. Please donate £1 per week if you can.

**Reminders: For obvious security reasons, please could we urge you not to let anyone else into nursery once you have been buzzed in. We know that this may feel impolite but it is highly important that staff only buzz in one person at a time. If someone does hold the door for you please decline and buzz the room yourself. We are also unable to admit the children attending sessional hours into the building before the session begins at 8.30 am and 1pm.**

If you haven’t signed up to the parent zone or are unsure how to do so, please speak to our manager Mrs Wilkinson. Remember that you can send us pictures and observations too!

Remember to check out our Facebook page for regular updates about what is happening!

Remember, the children have access to the outdoors in all weathers, please make sure your child has appropriate clothing to fully explore the outdoors including wellington boots. It would also be beneficial to ensure your child has spare clothes in their bag.

**Please label all your child’s clothing.**

*The Rivers*

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