



SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER 2022

Spring Term ends Friday 1 April
 Summer Term begins Tuesday 19 April
 Half Term Monday 30th May-Friday 3 June
 Summer Term ends Tuesday 19 July

If your child is unwell or unable to come to pre-school for any other reason please let the setting know by 10am of the morning concerned by **text** to the setting phone on 07968 192246. After that time if we have not heard from you we will contact you to ensure all is well. Please note this phone is not monitored outside of session hours. Absences known in advance may be emailed or texted though the latter is preferred.

Easter Celebration



Our Easter Celebration this year will be held on Thursday, March 31st at 12 noon. All children are welcome to attend even if they are usually not in the setting on a Thursday. Please bring children to the Nonsuch Hall door after entering via the church main entrance off of Northey Avenue at 11.45am.

Coffee will be served in the Hub from 11.45am. All family members are welcome to come and listen to the children sing and to celebrate Easter together.



Spring Term News



This half term we've been focussing on the stories of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children have enjoyed linked activities such as drawing a map from Goldilocks' house to the three bears' house and

creating 3D houses for the pigs.

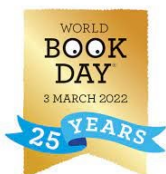
Along with the story of 'The Tiny Seed' mentioned in the last newsletter we will also be familiarising the children with 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and will be growing runner beans and beetroot both as microgreens and as a root vegetable.

Choking Prevention

Tragically, a child dies in the UK every month from choking and hundreds more require hospital treatment. It can happen quickly and it can happen to anyone. Below is a link to a pdf produced by Rospa which draws attention to hazards in the home and how to avoid them plus information on what to do if your child chokes.

<https://www.rospa.com/rospaweb/docs/advice-services/home-safety/choking-hazards.pdf>

World Book Week



We celebrated World Book Day by doing a Bear Hunt using various pieces of equipment in the Sports Hall-climbing into a 'tree' to look for a path through the wood, paddling across a 'river' to get to the other side and crawling into 'a cave' to discover the bear. Two groups then

enjoyed dressing up in their pyjamas or holding their favourite bedtime toy whilst listening to a bedtime story snuggled up under duvets and blankets. Over the whole week the children were also read some of their parents' favourite stories from their childhoods.

NB 30 Hours Eligibility (extended hours funding)

Parents must check eligibility for 30 Hours Funded Childcare at the government's website Childcare Choices. Parents must apply for or renew their 30 hour code before the deadline date of 31 March for the Summer Term.

What's On At St Paul's Church?



Stay and Play

Wednesday 6th April 10am-12pm. Email kerenh@saintpauls.co.uk for more information

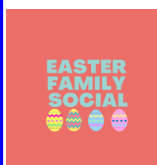
Easter Services

Friday 15th April 10am
 Good Friday All Age Service - A family friendly service which engages with the events of Good Friday and Easter

Sunday 17th April 10am
 Easter Day Celebration - A service celebrating the Good News of Easter

Church@6pm
 Another opportunity to celebrate and reflect upon Easter

Easter Egg Hunt



Take part in an Easter Egg hunt like no other, enjoy some tasty food and end with a movie.

Saturday 26 March 4:30pm - 7:30pm
 £3 per child, adults and under 2's free.
 To sign up for our Easter Family Social, go to:- [https://](https://saintpauls.churchsuite.com/events/kyabo06h)

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Immunisations

We've been asked by Surrey to pass on the information below regarding immunisations.

It's not too late to catch-up on immunisations for your child



We all know that the Covid-19 pandemic and resulting restrictions have caused some challenges and delays in accessing healthcare services over the past two years. But if there's anything positive to be taken from these challenging times, it is a reminder of how effective, and absolutely necessary, vaccinations are. We need that reminder, because during the pandemic we have seen a gradual, but marked decline in childhood immunisation rates in Surrey. There's likely to be many reasons for this, not least the disruption of home life, routines and working patterns that we've all experienced. So, now

that the Covid-19 vaccination programme has allowed us to return to some semblance of normal life, it is a good time to think about catching up with other immunisations if your child has missed any.

Vaccines are the most effective way to prevent infectious diseases. They protect you, your child and other members of your family from many serious and potentially deadly diseases. Vaccination prevents up to 3 million deaths worldwide every year. They also protect other people in your community by helping to stop diseases spreading to other people who cannot have vaccines due to existing medical conditions or those with a weaker immune system.

Since vaccines were introduced in the UK, diseases like smallpox, polio and tetanus that used to kill or disable millions of people are either gone or seen very rarely. Other diseases like measles and diphtheria have been reduced by up to 99.9% since their vaccines were introduced. Unfortunately, if people stop having vaccines, it's possible for infectious diseases to quickly take hold in the community again.

The good news is that GP practices across Surrey have worked hard to maintain the delivery of childhood immunisations throughout the pandemic, while following strict Covid-19 infection control measures, so there's no need to delay booking your child in. You can check your child's RED BOOK to see whether they are up to date with their routine jabs. To make sure they have the best protection they should ideally be given in line with the UK Vaccination Schedule below:

Quick guide to the UK Vaccination Schedule

8 WEEKS	12 WEEKS	16 WEEKS	1 YEAR	2-10 YEARS	3 YEARS & 4 MONTHS
6-in-1 vaccine Rotavirus vaccine MenB	6-in-1 vaccine (2nd dose) Pneumococcal (PCV) vaccine Rotavirus vaccine (2nd dose)	6-in-1 vaccine (3rd dose) MenB (2nd dose)	Hib/MenC MMR Pneumococcal (PCV) vaccine (2nd dose) MenB (3rd dose)	Flu vaccine (every year)	MMR (2nd dose) 4-in-1 pre-school booster

As we move out of the pandemic we will all, thankfully, be mixing more widely. So, it's even more important for children to be up to date with their vaccinations to avoid the spread of entirely preventable diseases, like measles, which can lead to life-threatening complications like meningitis or mumps, which can cause hearing loss.

If you think your child has missed any vaccinations, you need to change a vaccination appointment or you're not sure if your child has had 2 doses of the MMR vaccine, contact your GP by:

- visiting their website
- using the NHS App
- calling them

It's best to have vaccines on time, but you can still catch up on most vaccines if you miss them. **BE WISE** and **IMMUNISE** your child to ensure optimal protection against all vaccine preventable diseases.