

Quiz Night
We raised £450 – a big
'thank you' to everyone
who supported us 😊



Really Important

We need to have all current and outstanding invoices paid by Friday 22nd March so that we can prepare our end of year accounts for the auditors.

Newsletter March 2019

Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt



Monday 25th March 2019

12 Noon

St Paul's Church,
Bentley Common



- ✓ Please bring a picnic lunch
- ✓ Refreshments will be available
- ✓ Raffle
- ✓ Sponsor forms going out this week – please ask family members and friends to sponsor your child
- ✓ Please donate raffle prizes



Brentwood Half Marathon /Fun Run



Sunday 17th March

Please sponsor Anna's (Pam's daughter) boyfriend James who is running in the half marathon. Sponsor form is on the sign-in table.

Moo Music

This is proving to be a great success and all the children are really enjoying it 😊
We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £7.50 on this half term's invoice

Wanted

Please return any borrowed pre-school clothes. We are in desperate need of trousers, leggings and socks.
We have 17 children in nappies so we need another changing mat – if anyone has a spare or unwanted one in good condition we would be very grateful.
See Emma for Top Tips on potty training.

Emergency Contact Details

Some parents have still not given us their emergency contact details. Forms are going out this week. Please return ASAP.
We have recently had a problem of getting hold of a parent because their contact number was not up to date.
Please also keep us up to date if your child has any allergies.

New room arrangement

By now you may have noticed we have made alterations to the planned activities in the room. This has been changed to facilitate the different ages and needs of all the children.

Please remember to praise and celebrate the successes of your child.
Use our **WOW** certificates and tell us about anything wonderful your child has done in their contact books.

Parent Questionnaire

Please return your parent questionnaires asap. It is really good for us to have feedback – Pam will be able to show them to Ofsted when they visit. 😊

Visits with your child's key person will continue in March

Invitations will be going out this half term. This will be on an appointment basis, lasting about 10 minutes and will give you the opportunity to view your child's Development Matters and Learning Journal and discuss your child's progress or any other matters with their key person. Please note that your child's folder is a 'work in progress' and will continue to develop across their time at Little Doves Christian Pre-School.



Lent Prayer Hearts

Please return your Lent prayer heart as soon as possible so that we can create something special for your child to take home for Easter.

Very Important

It is very important that you let us know if anyone different is picking up your child. Please fill in the correct Collection form and write in the Sign-in register. Also remember to tell the person picking up your child the password.



EVEN MORE IMPORTANT NOW



Since the new uniform lots of children have the same clothes – please remember to put your child's name in their clothes.

Pam has a marker pen at the door if you have forgotten. Please ask.

Please remember to bring in verification of your postcode and your child's birth certificate.

Essex County Council require us to verify the postcode where your child lives and therefore please bring in some form of identification to enable us to do this. e.g. driving licence, utilities bill.

Newly Funded Children April 2019

We **MUST** see your child's birth certificate to verify their date of birth so please bring this in as soon as possible, if you have not already done so.

30 hour Extended Funding Parents

Please remember to re-confirm your eligibility each term. If you are a new parent claiming 30 hours funding please ask for a 'permission to check' form.

Gift Aid Forms

As we are a charity, and, if you are a UK tax payer and eligible to Gift Aid your donation, we can claim Gift Aid on the money you give to us. Please ask a member of staff for a Gift Aid form. This will increase your gift by 25p for every £1 given (at current rate) at no extra cost to you or us. **Please note: The person named on the Gift Aid form must be a taxpayer and the person who pays the invoice.**

For cash payers we are providing you with envelopes with a Gift Aid declaration sticker - please use the envelope and complete the declaration when you pay the fees if you are a UK tax payer and eligible to Gift Aid your donation.

Dates for your diary 2019

Last day of term: Friday 29th March

Please note: our Easter holiday is 3 weeks long. Essex County Council's funding for pre-schools for the Spring term is 11 wks.

Summer term starts: Tuesday 23rd April

Little Urchins Photos: Tuesday 7th May

Spring Clean of Navestock Village Hall

On Tuesday 2nd April 9am - 3pm we are having a spring clean of the hall, all the pre-school equipment and toys and preparing the garden for the summer term. If anyone is free to help us, even for just an hour, please see Pam or Emma.

Interest Table Topic

12th, 19th, 26th March: Easter. Letter: e; numbers: 1-12; shape: oval; colour: yellow

Please encourage any items brought in to 'show' are related to our topic.

Staff Training

Well done to Debbie for completing lots of extra training & e-learning modules.

All staff will be undertaking Child Behaviour training on 20th March with the Area SENDCO

Please remember to log in frequently to our closed Facebook page to see photos of what the children have been doing in their sessions.