

September 2017



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Newsletter

I hope you all had a good summer. A big welcome to all the new children, parents and carers. Our exciting news is that over the summer holidays we have completed our new secure outside play area - hope you like it! 😊

Sessions for September 2017

Please confirm with Pam the days/sessions you would like your child to do this term so that we can finalise their hours.
Extra sessions are available – please contact Pam.

Good News for 'Wonky' Wednesday

From this term, we will be open on the 'Wonky' Wednesday and the session will run from 9am until 12pm.
More details to follow.

Navestock Village Show

Thank you to anyone who attended the show in July – we raised £87.12 from our Nearly New stall.

Sainsbury's Vouchers 2017

Thank you to everyone who collected the vouchers – we have been able to order lots of exciting equipment for this term.

Important for parents/carers of funded children

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.

Also, we need to 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.

Charity Status - 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. The Gift Aid can be claimed from when we opened the pre-school so this will be a huge financial help to us.

Little Doves Badges

are available £2 each.

Little Doves T-Shirts

We are looking to purchase some new children's t-shirts, sweatshirts and fleeces. If you would like to put in an order please contact Pam.

Name Labels for Clothes

Please see Little Doves Facebook page for how you can help raise money for Little Doves by ordering your labels through us.

September Clothes for Little Doves Sensible Footwear

Please send your child in sensible footwear – **NO** sandals or flip-flops with open toes. Unprotected toes can easily get injured. Plimsolls, Doodles or trainers are ideal.

Sun Hats & Sun cream

Please remember to put **sun cream** on your child on sunny days and remember their **sun hat** – the children can be playing in the outside play area for most of the day.

Still Needed!

A set of walkie talkies for use during outside play. Please contact Pam if you have any spare.

Holidays

Please let Pam know if you are planning to take any holidays or day/s away from the pre-school during this term.

Important - Lunchboxes

Please do not put any food containing nuts in your child's lunchbox. Please cut any grapes in quarters and tomatoes in half to avoid the risk of choking.
Remember freezer packs!

Alfie Bear

Alfie Bear has lots of friends and they would like to go on holiday too! So please invite one to go with you and take lots of photos to share at the pre-school!!

Parent/carer helpers

If you would like to come in for a session this term to help and do some arts and crafts, please sign up on the Parent/carer Rota in the corridor at the beginning of term.

Adverts for the pre-school

If you know somewhere where you can display an A4 or A5 flier advertising that there are spaces in the pre-school, please contact Pam.

Back to School Service at St Paul's Church

Sunday 10th September at 11 am

St. Paul's Church have invited all parents and staff of Little Doves to the 'Back to School' service followed by a family BBQ in the church garden.

The service is suitable for all ages and everyone is welcome.

We have spaces for new children this term so please recommend us to your friends,

with love & prayers from
Pam & the Little Doves team.