

# Family Update

29th April 2022



## Updates

Hello and welcome back this sunny Spring term. I hope you had a lovely couple of weeks break and your children are feeling refreshed and ready to learn lots of fun, new things this term. Explorers have been learning about what it's like in the forest, feeling the logs, twigs and new leaves and have had a 'barefoot walk' exploring textures with their feet; Investigators have been making 'Mountains' with their sensory cooking; Adventurers have been sharing and pairing up to support each other and using iPad Communication Aids to better express their needs, wants and ideas; some Towards Independence department students have been working on their Rebound trampoline skills and some have even earned TUMBLE badges, others worked at Beaudesert Farm, bottle feeding the kid goats and checking on the progress of our chicks that hatched in school last term (see page 3 for photos).

It's been a lovely start to the term as very high numbers of children and staff have returned healthy and happy. Our restrictions to help keep everyone safe still include staff wearing masks in all communal areas, in corridors and for close, personal care including feeding and changing. DfE advice is also that any staff feeling unwell stay off and avoid contact with others, and return only when their temperature is back to normal and they are feeling well; Adults testing positive are to stay off and not contact others for 5 days, children testing (or you think may be) positive are to stay off and not contact (non-essential) others for 3 days. We're hoping for much less Covid disruption this term as more and more children also become vaccinated. Have a long, happy Bank Holiday weekend, from Your Leadership Team

## Photos from the Week



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## Pond Life

The Site Team has done an amazing job over the Easter holidays adding a ramp to our new school pond. This has just been in time to see lots of tadpoles hatching. Classes have loved going outside as part of their science learning to observe the tadpoles and learn all about them.



## Food Bank Requests

Message from Lichfield Food Bank:

*'Due to increased need for our service, we're running very short of the following items. We would be very grateful for donations if possible. Thank you.'*

- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Soup
- Dry Pasta
- Long-Life Milk
- Long-life Fruit Juice
- Tinned Veg

If you would like to donate any of the above items, we will collect them in the school office.

Thanks for all your support.



## Sleepover Gazebo

Using donations for which we are always extremely grateful, Sleepover Club have enhanced their outdoor activity area and had an accessible gazebo built. We look forward to making good use of it during the warmer months to come.



## Key Dates

27th May—Rainbow Day

30th May—3rd June—Half Term

10th June—Queen's Day

13th June—Explorers Learning Conference

29th June—Sports Day

1st July—Inset Day

8th July—Sleepover Children's University Graduation





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