

Dates for the Diary

Inset days

Thurs 20th December 2018

Fri 21st December 2018

Mon 22nd July 2019

Tues 23rd July 2019

Christmas Holiday

Mon 24th December 2018 - Fri 4th January 2019

Preschool Reopens

Monday 7th January 2019 @ 9.15am

Spring Half Term

Mon 18th - Fri 22nd February 2019

Easter Holidays

Mon 8th - Mon 22nd April 2019

Summer Half Term

Mon 27th - Fri 31st May 2019

Summer Holidays

Wed 24th July - Tues 3rd September 2019



Parent Management Committee

Chair - Jenny Marshall Trustee

Treasurer - Christine McGarvie Trustee

Secretary- Rebecca Kingston Parent & Trustee

Preschool Manager - Amanda Davies Trustee

Preschool- Samantha Kuflik Trustee

Avril Woodford- Community member & Trustee

Georgina Jones- Parent committee member

We need your help! If you shop online please could you sign up to Easyfundraising to support Impstone Preschool, Tadley?

We want to raise as much as possible, so please visit our new Easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/impstonepreschooltadley/> and click 'support us'.

It's a really easy way to raise money for us—you just use the Easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well-known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.Com, eBay, Boden and M&S, plus when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation at no extra cost to you!

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Thank you!

Spring Topic

Patterns & Colours



As we move in to the Spring term, our children will be learning more about patterns and colours.

Each week will have a specific colour allocated dependent on any other themes we have going on!

There are also lots of special days we will be looking to celebrate, such as Chinese New Year and Valentines to name a few.

Look out for our monthly topic newsletter which will be in drawers in January as well as on our website.

WE ARE PRESCHOOLERS, LETS GET OUT OF HERE!!!!

Wow, what an action packed half term we have just had!! Towards the end of term we went on some amazing trips out to St Luke's Church, Bishopswood School & Tadley School. The children had an amazing time and were brilliantly behaved:)

This term we have also trialed visiting Bethany Care Home, just down the road, with a small group of our older children to visit the residents. This follows on from recent publicity and studies to show the huge benefits for both the young and the old! Our children have enjoyed this immensely and therefore next term we will be looking to extend our child base to allow more children to experience this. We can only take a max of 6 children, so we will rotate the children we take, but we will send out letters of consent to all school leaver children.

30 hour Funding Entitlement

30 hour funding began in September 2018; are you entitled?

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/30-hours-free-childcare-eligibility>
- Make sure you apply before **31st December** to receive your funding for the **Spring 2019** term.

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LUNCHBOXES!

Thanks to you all for your efforts with lunchboxes, ensuring your children have a great variety and healthy lunches.



I hope you have loved the stickers your child has been coming home with on their boxes!!

You may also have seen your child coming home with a sticker for great eating or behaviour at lunch. These have been working well with the children to encourage them to sit nicely and eat well!)

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Huge thank you to all those who purchased Christmas Photo Cards! Once all funds are in, we will have managed to raise just over £80 to go towards the preschool! Thanks all!

WELCOME BACK JEN!

Some of you may have seen that Jennifer has returned from maternity leave after having the gorgeous Millie! She's so excited to be back and can't wait to get to know all the new children that have joined since she's been away, as well as catching up with previous children!

END OF DAY COLLECTIONS

Can we please remind everyone that we need prompt pick up every day as we need to leave the hall ready for the next groups to come in (& also to pick our own children up from school!)

Mon, Tues & Thurs @ 2.45pm
Wed @ 1pm
Fri @ 12.15pm

We thank you for your co-operation with this.

PARENT MEETINGS

Throughout the next half term, we will be holding parent meetings with your child's key person and myself.

These meetings will be 9.15-9.45 Monday's to Thursday's, although we can arrange for meetings outside of these times and days if required.

In this meeting we will be discussing your child's progress and next steps for the coming year.

During the first week of January, we will be sending home our new Preschool review packs which we ask you to complete based on how you feel your child is progressing at home. These are similar to a 2 year check you may have completed with your health visitor when your child was younger and allows us a greater opportunity to gauge your child's learning outside the setting.

We will ask you to return these to your review meeting as these will form part of our discussions.



WELLIES AND CLOTHES FOR OUTDOORS

As the cold and wet weather closes in, we will still be trying to get the children outside as much as possible.

Please can you ensure your child has suitable clothing for outdoor play and wellies if possible.

While we have spare clothes and wellies, we don't have enough for all children and we want to ensure all children have the same chances of outdoor play. We do not allow wellies for general wear inside the setting, therefore please ensure your child has a change of shoes for inside use

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER TO NAME ALL ITEMS!!!

Events for the coming year...

- Thursday 28th March 2019 — Easter Party (Family)
- Thursday 2nd May 2019 - Family School Trip
- Thursday 23rd May 2019 — Sports Day (Family)
- Thursday 18th July 2019 - End of Term Party

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM US ALL
AT IMPSTONE PRESCHOOL!

We look forward to seeing you all back on 7th January 2019

