**Welcome to Term 2**

**Parent Chat**

Your child’s Key Person will call you during the week commencing 2nd November to discuss next steps for Term 2 and how we have observed and tracked their development so far through the ‘Individual Summary’. We would like to note your comments and suggestions for anything you would like us to work on/support your child’s development. Please let us know if you are unable to take our call during their paperwork time.

Miss Karen Monday 2nd Nov pm, Miss Kerry-Anne Tuesday 3rd Nov pm, Miss Faye Wednesday 4th Nov am, Miss Stacey Wednesday 4th Nov pm, Miss Kerry Thursday 5th Nov pm, Miss Kelly Friday 6th Nov pm.

**Wellie Boots & Coats**

Winter weather is fast approaching, we continue to use our outdoor areas, please can we ask you to bring in wellies for rainy days and warm coats/hats & gloves for the colder weather.

**Labels from home**

In term 1 we sent home labels for you to write about something your child has done, it can be anything from going on holiday to giving up their dummy, we would like to celebrate all children’s news/achievements during large group and stick them into their learning diary. We will send home 2 labels each term and look forward to reading what your child has been up to at home.

**Pyjama/Onsie Day**

Monday 9th, Tuesday, 10th, and Wednesday 11th November we will be wearing our pyjamas to Pre-School, please return your sponsorship forms with the money in an envelope to Pre-School week commencing 16th November. This is to raise money for a young child to be able to receive his first wheelchair. It would be amazing if we could all take part, if your child doesn’t want to wear their pyjamas please don’t worry but you can still donate!

**Children in Need**

This falls on the same week as pyjama/onsie day, we will not be collecting donations this year as we have already committed to Crackerjacks children’s trust. On Friday 13th November, your teachers will still wear something spotty if you would like to join us.

**Sickness**

If your child is absent due to illness, please could you ring Pre-school to advise us by 9:30, answerphone messages are also fine if it is out of hours. For sickness / illness guidelines we refer to our Policy which can be found on our website. If you need advice on how long your child will need to be away from Pre-school due to an infectious illness or stomach complaint, please ring and speak to a member of staff. We follow ‘Government Health Guidance’. If your child or a member of your family presents with coronavirus symptoms, please advise us, we will follow government guidelines. We will need you to collect your child promptly should they present with possible coronavirus symptoms while in pre-school.

**Holidays**

Please advise us in advance of any holidays pending for us to have accurate information in the register.

**Lunches**

We encourage ‘healthy eating’ at Pre-school, so please can we request no fizzy drinks, chocolate items, sweets, or crisps in your child’s lunch bag. If your child prefers apples with no skin/cut up, please can you pre-cut at home. We follow health advice for grapes & sausages to be quartered to safeguard against choking.

**Primary School Application**

Primary School application is due by 15th January 2021. You will need to apply online through Bristol City Council at [www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions).

**Term 2 topics/Curriculum**

* Bonfire Night and keeping safe
* Remembrance Day
* Diwali
* Hibernation
* Dear Zoo
* Christmas Fun
* Christmas Jumper Party Day

**Christmas Party**

We are hoping to have a Christmas party for all Pre-School children on Friday 18th December 9 – 12:30 (Covid restrictions allowing). Pre-School will provide party food so no pack lunches necessary on the day. Unfortunately, Father Christmas won’t be able to visit the children in person on party day this year as he is self-isolating but he will leave something special for them to take home (Rudolf and the gang are working overtime to deliver parcels at a safe distance)!

**Academic Year**

**Sept 2020→July 2021 - Term Dates**

**Term 2 Term 3 Term 4**

 Monday 2nd November to Monday 4th January to Monday 22nd February to

 Friday 18th December2020 Friday 12th February 2021 Thursday 1st April 2021

**Term 5 Term 6**

Monday 19th April to Monday 7th June to

Friday 28th May 2021 Wednesday 14th July 2021

(Bank holiday Monday 3rd May)