



The Old School House Nursery

Summer Term 2019 Newsletter

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A Big Welcome back to everyone and hope you all had a super Easter.

This term our **Role Play area** is equipped with 'real time' pieces, such as China Tea Pot, Working tools, Ceramics, Silverware, Wood etc. An opportunity for the children to really value the pieces they are using and recognise what they use say at home. A lovely new 'gold' carpet has also been donated.



We have a new **MUD KITCHEN** (thank you to Bev for design/construction and to all the parents who donated pallets and sinks :) So popular with all the children where they can mix, pour, experiment and explore. However we can't guarantee children will come home clean after this experience!!



Don't forget
Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bonnet Competition on Friday 26th April 3.30 - 5.30 at Nursery.
Raffle, Cake Stall, Face Painting, Egg Hunt and Refreshments.

Come in a decorated Easter Bonnet ready for judging!
Its going to be great fun - bring all the family and your friends.

Remember our Breakfast Club - Wrap around care available from 8am each morning. Cost £6. Pay on the door/invoice. Breakfast served between 8 - 8.30 am. Includes children who attend Helmingham Primary School.

Congratulations to **Dexter Rogers** who walked a marathon with his family during the Easter Holidays to raise funds for Nursery. This was a fantastic achievement - [Well done Dexter.](#)

of the Week

Week beginning

Sound

Tues 23rd April
WELCOME BACK
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Mon 29th April
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Mon 6th May
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Night time animals

Tues 13th May
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Mon 20th May
PANTHERS /
NIGHT TIME CATS

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Half Term 27-30 May
[Nursery Closed]

Mon 3rd June
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Mon 10th June

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Mon 17th June

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Mon 24th June

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Mon 1st July

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Mon 8th July

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Mon 15th July

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Mon 22nd July

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Summer Term ends on
Wednesday 24th July 2019
when The Old School House
Nursery closes.

Take a minute to LOOK at our NEXT STEP board in the hallway at Nursery. Here you will see your child's photo and underneath the next steps that their Key Person is working on. Don't hesitate to have a chat with your Key Person and please keep commenting on Tapestry and adding your own photos/reports we love seeing this.

With something happening every day at Nursery there is always much excitement -

Mondays	Cooking - usually something tasty for snack time In the afternoon visit to Big School.
Tuesdays	Animal Yoga.
Wednesdays	Dance with Miss Pamela in the Morning
Thursdays	Music & movement.
Fridays	Woodland walk out and about to see our environment.



EASTER PLAYDAY during the Easter holidays - we had a great time and the Sun shone. We had an Easter Egg Hunt, made and iced easter marble cakes and decorated our Easter Bonnets. Plus we had out all the usual Bikes, Scooters, Tec kit, Painting, small world rabbits & chicks, corn in the builders tray and feathers with playdough plus sand, mud kitchen and lots and lots of outdoor play.

This was the last Playday at Nursery as lots of building work will be taking place over the Summer. Thankyou to all those families who have come and enjoyed our fun days - we have loved doing them.

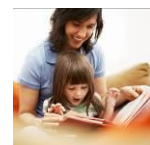
SUMMER is coming ! Please put sun cream on your child before coming to Nursery - they are far happier if this is done at home and it should last. Also a NAMED sun hat on their peg - they get very used to putting it on before going out. Good footwear as the children enjoy running, climbing in the garden Flip flops, crocs are not really suitable as they fall off and children are more likely to trip.

Look out for our special activities this Summer - dates and details will appear on our Facebook Page and via email to parents -

Sports Day, Summer Outing, Leavers Graduation Event.

Please remember to choose a book with your child from the selection in the cloakroom each day.

Offers to come and read to a group at the end of a session are warmly welcomed.



School Dinners
Tasty and freshly prepared by Helmingham School Cook.

**New Menu displayed in cloakroom, just order on arrival.
£2.30 plus 70p handling charge.
MUST be ordered by 9.15 am.**



WEATHER & OUT DOOR PLAY -
*please provide waterproof coat, wellington boots, sun hat
ALL NAMED ! Plus spare FULL set of clothes on your child's peg.
Replenish Nappies regularly.
Thank you.*



If your child is going to **BIG SCHOOL** in September then the best help you can give them is to Drop off /Pick up on time, bring their book bag, make sure they have a bag with everything they might need (spare clothes, footwear, dance wear etc). Encourage them to put their own socks and shoes on, their own coat on and take themselves to the toilet. All these things are really important and at a meeting with Reception Teachers this is what they are looking for to help settle new children.



Some important Nursery reminders -

- Don't forget to phone in if your child is unwell and will not be coming into nursery. After being sick your child must be kept away for 48 hours from Nursery.
- 4 year old Reading Books need to be regularly returned and a comment made. Then a new book will be allocated.
- With the warmer weather coming please don't forget to put an ice pack in your child's packed lunch and provide a drinks bottle filled.
- Please keep the 'parent communication' sheet in the book bag and don't hesitate to write to us on it. It is lovely to hear if someone has been out for day, seen a grandparent, found something special whilst in the garden.
- Remember that when your child arrives at Nursery they need to be registered with the member of staff on the door.

It is extremely important that at this time any **Existing Injuries** are pointed out and in some cases it might be necessary to fill out an Existing Injury Form. Also any medication to be handed over & form filled out – **MEDICATION MUST NOT BE LEFT IN YOUR CHILDS BAG**. If bringing medication that needs refrigeration please remember to bring it in a cold bag with ice block so we can store it safely on our shelves at Nursery.

Remember - Nursery Morning Registration is between 9 – 9.15 am. After this time the door is locked and you will need to ring the bell.

A full set of the Nursery Policies and Procedures are available to parents in the cloakroom area at all times and can also be found on our website.

**Designated Safeguarding Officer is Heather Runacres.
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officers are Steph Cross & Kelly Miller.
Committee Safeguarding Officer is Alex Matter.**

Check the [Gardening Rota](#) up in the cloakroom - any queries please **contact Charlotte** at Nursery.

During term and the Summer Holidays there will be building work taking place at the Nursery - hopefully finishing off the roof area following a Bat Survey next month. We will endeavour to keep you information through our Facebook page and via Emails.

Our transfer over to the Consortium Academy Trust to join with Helmingham Primary School is due to take place ready for the September term.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact our Manager, Stephanie Cross or if you want to contact the Committee then please email them direct on oshncommittee@gmail.com

