

DONKEY FIELD NEWS

May 2021

Welcome back to the new term to our existing children and parents. A BIG hello to our new children and families, who have just joined us at Donkey Field.

I hope everyone remains safe, as we ease out of lockdown and begin to see more of people.

Please can the use of face masks and social distancing continue, in accordance to government guidance, thank you.

This term, the children will be learning about dinosaurs, pets, jungle animals and under the sea. This theme will support understanding of the world, making links to own experiences, developing language and literacy.



Help Needed

Registered charity no. : 1035097

If anyone would like to help with fundraising at events, or be an active member on the fundraising team, please speak to Coral or Maria for more information.

It is a fun way to meet new people and be part of ensuring we continue to provide exciting and new resources and activities for the children.

We would also like to remind parents/carers, your ideas and feedback is important to us.

During this difficult time, creative fundraising ideas are more important than ever, due to not being able to hold large indoor events.

No idea is too small.

Fundraising

Outdoor Summer market (TBC)

Please contact Rachel (Chair) at chair@donkeyfield.co.uk if you are interested in helping at any forthcoming events, or coming part of the fundraising team or trustees.

At present we require a Vice and Secretary to join the Trustees team.

Please contact Coral@info@donkeyfield.co.uk for more information, thank you.

Term Dates
for your
Diary

Term dates are

**Summer term
19th April till 16th
July**

Half Term

May 31st till 4th June

**Staff inset training
day**

**Friday 9th July PM
session**

**All term dates are
on our website,
Facebook and on the
notice board outside
of the setting.**

Informative Information

It has never been more important to talk and listen to each other, as many people are experiencing difficulties during COVID-19.

Please find some helpful contacts, that offer support and information,

We are also here to help, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions, or just require a listening ear.

MIND www.mind.org.uk **NO Panic** www.nopanic.org.uk **Mental Health** www.mentalhealth.org.uk

Health for Kids www.healthforkids.org.uk www.anxietyuk.org.uk **Childline** 0800 111

Universal Credits 0800 328 5644

Donkey Field Home Learning Resource Bags

The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum is our Statutory Framework, to which we support the development of the children who attend our setting.

We will soon be able to provide home learning resource bags, which will provide ideas to support children's learning.

These will provide educational activities, fine motor skills, exploring bundle, to name a few. If you would like any information regarding this, please speak to a member of staff.



Company Funding

Many companies have a company funding program where colleagues can increase a fundraising/sponsored event total by matching (usually up to a set annual limit) to the total. Please do remember to check your Corporate Responsibility policy at work and let us know if you could help us increase our funding in future.

If you would like a copy of the Privacy Notice, please contact us at info@donkeyfield.co.uk or via telephone on 01342 717877. Please feel free to speak to a member of staff if you have any questions.

Lending Library

At The Donkey Field Pre School, we have a large selection of books which your child/children may borrow. This is a great way to assist children to settle within the setting. In addition, it is a valuable tool to support children to engage with literacy.

Please speak to a member of the team if you would like to borrow a book from our stock.

Current Management Committee Officers:

Rachel Mears – Chair chair@donkeyfield.co.uk

James Wickerson - Vice Chair vice@donkeyfield.co.uk

Pam Packham – Treasurer treasurer@donkeyfield.co.uk

Amy Chapman – Secretary secretary@donkeyfield.co.uk

Keep Touch

New uniform

For new orders, please hand in your uniform order forms addressed to Donkey Field Uniform.

Red book bags with the, The Donkey Field Pre-School logo are also available at a cost of £5 each.

Second hand uniform

From time to time, we have a stock of second hand uniform which has been donated by parents for re-sale.

Helpful websites

Solihull Training online solihullapproachparenting.com

Talking Point Top 10 tips to develop your child's speech and language www.talkingpoint.org.uk

Free Entitlement www.westsussex.gov.uk

www.gov.uk/covid

Tapestry Learning Journals

Tapestry is a secure online learning journal to record photos, observations, comments, reports, in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage, to build up a record of your child's development and experiences.

It is a great resource for parents/carers to also post photos and comments, to provide a holistic overview of your child's learning.

In addition, reports, letters and information are also posted on tapestry, to keep parent up to date.

We look forward to your posts, as they are a great conversation prompt with your children, and important to us.

Keep up to date by joining our Facebook group and visiting our Website which are regularly updated with important dates and information.

Facebook:

The Donkey Field Pre-School 

Phone:
01342 717877

Email:
info@donkeyfield.co.uk

Website:
www.donkeyfield.co.uk

Activity

Children love magic and seeing how things can change. Have a try at making a rainbow. All you will need is..

A plate and skittle sweets
Place the coloured sweets on to a plate, and slowly add water.
The children will enjoy watching a rainbow appear.

OR

Place food colouring in a glass with water.
Place some white flowers in the glass, and watch the petals change colour.

