

# July 2021 Newsletter

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## Graduation Celebrations

For those children leaving us this year, you should have by now received details about the graduation celebration. Please return your form as soon as possible if you haven't already so that we know how many will be attending.

## Beetley Bears

The last Beetley Bears session will be on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July. At the moment we do not know how things will look in September so if you are interested in attending please email the preschool for the latest information and to express your interest.

## Fees

Just a reminder that fees have increased from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

Preschool will be £4.00 per hour.

2-3 Club will be £4.25 per hour.

For those of you that pay fees, you can sign up to the government's tax free childcare. This means that for every £1, they will pay 20p. To find out more visit [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk).

You can also find out here if you are eligible for 2 year old funding or 30-hour funding or you can register for an account with Norfolk Education (NEO) on Line at <https://fiso.norfolk.gov.uk/Synergy/>. With a NEO account you can, check eligibility for early education, apply for free school meals and submit your school admissions application. **If you already have a code for 30-hour funding please make sure you go in to your account and update your details.**

## Website

The website is still up and running so why not take a look, [www.beetley-preschool.org](http://www.beetley-preschool.org) .

## Parking

**We still have some parents parking in the horseshoe when you bring or collect your children. This area is only a drop off area, so a driver must stay in the car to ensure it can be moved in an emergency.** I know this is something we mention each month, but we still have families parking in areas that make it unsafe for children and also not taking local residents into consideration.

**Please remember not to park on the zig-zag lines at the corner of the horseshoe, in the horseshoe outside the school or on the red**

## **PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR A FACE COVERING WHEN DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN**

### Dates to remember

#### **Last Day of Term**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

#### **Graduation Celebrations**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021

#### **First Day of Autumn term**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021

### **2019-2020 Term Dates**

Last day of summer term – Friday 16th July

### **Welcome back**

This last month has seen us going over to the big field by the school carpark to take advantage of the space and do activities involving, balls, bean bags, hoops and some yoga. The children have also been able to run and explore. Last week they ran the running track with Mrs Durrant. We have also used the parachute for games and songs. I think everyone has enjoyed it. We have one more trip to make before the term ends on Thursday.

As we near the end of this school year we want to wish all our leavers good luck in their new schools and we also want to thank Mrs Melton, who is also leaving at the end of the year, for all her hard work and support to countless children over the years she has been with us.

We would like to thank you all for your patience and support over the last year. It hasn't been easy at times but we think the children have done really well coping with the changes in routine that have affected us all. We hope you all have a lovely summer break and we look forward to seeing some you next year.

**rectangular areas marked out on Elmham Road. Please avoid mounting the pavement with part of your wheels or blocking the driveways of residents who live on the road. If there is no parking on the road, you could always use the car park on Fakenham road and then walk to preschool. Thank you.**

### Illness

**If you or your child has a temperature; a continuous cough; or a loss or change of sense of smell or taste it is important that you inform preschool, isolate at home, do not send your child to preschool and that you get a test straight away. You can book a test by calling 119 or visit [www.nhs.uk/coronavirus](http://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus).**

**If you are not sure if you should be sending your child into preschool because of the symptoms they have, use the link below for guidance.**

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/behaviour-and-attendance/attendance/school-attendance/when-to-keep-your-child-off-school>

**Please also help us to reduce the spread of coughs, colds and sickness. Children are still likely to get normal colds, coughs and sickness bugs as the colder weather approaches.**

If you child appears unwell before they come to preschool; you have given them Calpol; they have a green runny nose or they have been sick in the last 48 hours, they are not well enough to attend.

Please keep them at home until they are better to avoid giving the illness to other children. Thank you.

If your children are going to be off could you please let us know either by ringing the Preschool on 01362 860860 or by

email [beetleypreschool@hotmail.com](mailto:beetleypreschool@hotmail.com) or by using the Family app to report them absent.

### Gressenhall fete

We are hoping to run another Teddy Tombola but this time at the Gressenhall fete on 21<sup>st</sup> August. Keep checking our Facebook page for more information and come and see us at our stall.

### Collection Password

Please remember, if you need your child to be collected by someone new, this could be due to some unforeseen circumstance, an emergency or may just be a new person you have added to your list of eligible people, you will be required to obtain a password from the staff. The new person collecting will need to know this password before we can release your child into their care. This password will change on a regular basis.

### Exciting News

Last month Mrs. Di Calvert announced that she will be leaving in a years' time, July 2022.

We are pleased to announce that after completing her degree in Early Years Development, Miss Abigail Jenkins felt that the next step in her career was to apply for promotion for the role as manager in the setting. Over the next year she will be spending time receiving training from Di in this role. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to Di.

### Policies

The following policies were reviewed, amended where necessary and adopted at the last Committee meeting:

Equality & Diversity  
Compliance Statement  
Responsibilities of Staff in An Emergency  
Making Concerns Known  
Data Protection  
Parental Involvement

Some of these policies can be found on the website or on request from Di or Emma.

### Fundraising Online shopping

At this time this may be the only way you can get what you want and need.

As you shop you could help raise money for the preschool.

You can do so by using "[easyfundraising.co.uk](http://easyfundraising.co.uk)". Follow the links below to register your support and a percentage of what you spend will be donated to the pre-school.

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk).

or

[smile.amazon.co.uk](http://smile.amazon.co.uk). (when using Amazon Smile please search for "Beetley and District Pre-school", if you can't find us using our name put in Beetley as an area and we are listed) You can now get the **Amazon Smile App** on your android phones:

1. Update the app on google play
2. Open the Amazon Shopping app
3. Tap the main menu on the app
4. Tap settings
5. Tap Amazon smile
6. Follow the instructions on the screen

Thank you.

### Virtual Duck Race

Unfortunately due to the continued Covid restrictions this fundraising activity has been postponed.