



Bodiam Preschool Newsletter Term 5 2023

We are all settled back into another new term at Preschool! Welcome to our new friends Arthur, Georgie and Sidney, who are settling in really well. We are all having lots of fun getting to know each other and learning together.

We have a busy term planned which includes a very special tea party on 5th May to celebrate the Coronation of our new King, Charles. Invitations will be coming home this week so please check your little one's bags. A list of party food will be going up on the front door shortly for you to choose what you can bring in.

Preschool closures

The Parish Rooms (Preschool) will be used as a Polling Station for the local elections on Thursday, 4th May, meaning that Preschool will be closed. Apologies for any inconvenience this causes.

Preschool will also be closed for Bank Holidays on Monday 1st and 8th May.

Staff

You probably all know that we are currently in need of another Level 3 qualified Practitioner to join our team. We'd really appreciate as many of you as possible spreading the word to your friends, acquaintances, and family so that we can hopefully add another lovely team member to our Preschool. Please send anyone who is interested our way for details of hours, a job description, and an application form.

Also, if you know of anyone with no personal links to the Preschool who would be interested in coming in to volunteer to give us a helping hand on a regular basis, please let us know. Thank you all for your help.

Healthy Packed lunches

Thank you for continuing to send your children in with their healthy packed lunches – they always look so tasty! Just a reminder to please chop into halves or quarters any blueberries, grapes, party sausages or other fruit or vegetables which are smaller than a two pence piece as children can choke on these. Also, a reminder that we have a child with a potential **nut allergy** so please do not send in any nuts or nut containing foods in packed lunches. Thank you.

Easyfundraising

We've registered Bodiam Preschool with Easyfundraising, and you could help us to raise funds at no extra cost to yourself! When you shop online, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, Amazon, eBay and notonthehighstreet, you will raise FREE donations for Bodiam Preschool. Signing up only takes a few minutes, then you can begin shopping through the easyfundraising website or app straight away – simply shop online as normal. You can even set up a **donation reminder** which saves you time logging into the easyfundraising website every time you shop. Please set this up if you can, it will be an enormous help to the Preschool, at no extra cost to yourself. Visit [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) to get started:

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These donations will help SO MUCH, so please sign up to support us – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long. Thank you.

Poetry Basket

We are very lucky to be part of a scheme via East Sussex County Council called Poetry Baskets, by Make Believe Arts. We have been learning a new poem each two weeks, and it is always lovely to see how much the children enjoy these. The poems have also been linked with '50 things to do before you're 5' which has been set up by ESCC and is a bucket list of fun, educational and low cost, or no cost activities. More information and a free app can be found at <https://eastsussex.50thingstodo.org>.

We hope you've all been enjoying the videos of actions and words to the poems that we've been sending you and having fun with them at home. Feel free to send in any videos of how you get on; we would really love to see them.

Preschool Website

We would love to put parents' testimonials on our website so that potential families can read about why you all love our Preschool. We know none of you have much spare time, but if you have a few minutes to write down a comment or two about the Preschool and what it's like, we'd really appreciate it. Thank you.

Bodiam Fun Day

Bodiam Primary School PTA will be holding their Fun Day again on 17th June and have very kindly offered us a pitch. We have decided to have a second-hand toys, books, and clothes stall – if you, or any of your family or friends have any good quality, fully intact and clean

second-hand toys, books or clothes that we could sell to raise money for resources at Preschool, they would be very much appreciated. Please look out for the donations box, which we will leave outside.

Dates for your diaries

Last day of Term 5 – Friday 26th May 2023

First Day of Term 6 – Monday 5th June 2023

Thank you all for your continued support

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