



Tenterfield Nursery School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back, I hope you have all had an enjoyable Christmas break. First I must, on behalf of all the staff, thank you all for your lovely Christmas cards and gifts—how wonderful they all were!

We are excited to be back at Nursery and have loved hearing all about the adventures and fun the children have had during the holidays. They all seem to have grown since we last saw them too!

I can't believe we are already in the spring term and what a busy term it is set to be! We look forward to once again working together in partnership to help our children achieve.

Best wishes, Mrs Williams and team

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 ★ Dates for the diary
 ★ January
 ★ Thursday 31st: EYFS day
 ★ February
 ★ Tuesday 5th: Chinese New Year
 ★ Friday 15th: INSET day
 ★ Half term: Monday 18 - Friday 22 February
 ★ Holiday Club will be open for these dates.
 ★ March
 ★ Friday 1st: Special Learning Book sharing
 ★ Monday 4th - Friday 8th: Book Week
 ★ Thursday 7th: Dress up for World Book Day
 ★ Friday 29th: Mothering Sunday celebration day
 ★ April
 ★ Monday 1st: Green consultations (AM)
 ★ Orange consultations (PM)
 ★ Tuesday 2nd: Blue consultations (AM)
 ★ Red PM consultations (PM)
 ★ Wednesday 3rd: Yellow consultations (AM)
 ★ Thursday 4th: Red AM parent consultations (AM)
 ★ Friday 5th: End of term
 ★ Holiday Club open Monday 8th - Thursday 18th
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Special Learning Books

Thank you to those of you who have shared your children's Christmas break photos for their Special Learning Books. It is such a wonderful experience for the children to talk about what they have been doing outside Nursery. If you would still like to send them in please email them to the office:

admin@tenterfield.herts.sch.uk

Cold Weather

Please ensure your children arrive at nursery with a warm coat. As the weather is set to get colder, please also send in NAMED hats, gloves and scarves. Once again, check the lost property box as we have a number of 'homeless' items.

Staffing news

We were absolutely delighted to welcome Mrs. Geogieva to Team Tenterfield at the beginning of term, she is working in our growing Tenterfield Twos and also as part of our SEND Team.

You will also have noticed that Miss Maguire who is part of our Wraparound Team is expecting a baby. She is due to begin her maternity leave at the beginning of the Easter holidays. I am sure that you will join us in congratulating her on her wonderful news. With that in mind we will be welcoming a new member into Team Tenterfield. Julia Baker will be joining us as Wraparound Assistant in mid February.



Mobile Phones

At Tenterfield we ask that mobile phones are not used within the nursery building where children are present. This is for two main reasons:

We feel it is important that your child has your attention during drop off and collection times.

Secondly with the increased use of camera phones, we want to protect all children in our care. There are some children, who for various reasons, must not have their picture shared on the internet. By requesting mobiles are not used, we know that we are doing all we can to prevent images appearing online without parents knowledge or consent.

Thank you for your help in keeping Tenterfield a safe place for all children.

February Half-term Holiday Club Booking Forms

Monday 18 February to Friday 22 February 2019

Forms are now available to book into the February half-term Holiday Club. Should you have any queries at all please contact Kim Roberts on the usual school number or email her at:

wraparound@tenterfield.herts.sch.uk

Parking

May we just give you a timely reminder to show consideration and respect when parking to drop off and collect your child from nursery. Our neighbours in Becket Gardens are very tolerant and understanding and we ask that we all co-operate together to maintain our good relations.

Thank you in advance.

SNOW

With talks in the media of impending snow, and hope that by being prepared we won't need it, please find below information in case of severe snow.

It is my intention that Tenterfield will remain open if at all possible this winter but as schools have discovered in previous years there may be times when weather conditions prevent this from happening. I can assure you that the decision to close is never taken lightly and always on advice from the county council.

If the weather is snowy and you are unsure if Tenterfield will be open please:

Check www.hertsdirect.org where any Hertfordshire school closures will be listed.

Listen for notifications on the local BBC 3 Counties Radio.

Visit our website www.tenterfield.herts.sch.uk will have an announcement on the homepage about the situation.

We will also endeavour to send a parent mail text to you as soon as possible if the decision has been taken to close.

As we do not have a caretaker at Tenterfield we are always grateful for any parents who live within walking distance to come and help staff clear paths after a heavy snow fall to make the site safe for the return to school.

Lost Property

We have accumulated a wide range of lost property during the course of last term. If you are missing anything please check the lost property boxes in the first instance, near the nursery entrance. If you are unable to find the item you are looking for, please let a member of staff know and we will endeavour to find it. Whilst we always aim to ensure every child is sent home with the things they came to nursery in, if the items are not named then it makes the job increasingly difficult.

If your child accidentally brings home an item of clothing which is not theirs, please return it to the nursery in order that we can reunite it with it's rightful owner.