**Leapfrogs Pre-School**

**and Nursery**

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**NEWSLETTER – Summer (1) - 2016**

**We hope you have all had a lovely half term break. We all thoroughly enjoyed our Easter crafts afternoon at the end of our half term. There were many parents, grandparents and carers making their child’s afternoon a wonderful experience, so we thank you for taking the time to come and spend time with us.**

*We are starting this half term, celebrating the Queen’s Birthday and then looking at our favourite stories:*

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*Our weekly activities are:*

*Week 1: The Queen’s 90th Birthday*

*Week 2: The Gingerbread man*

*Week 3: Jack and the Beanstalk*

*Week 4: Blue Balloon*

*Week 5: Hungry Hen*

*Week 6: Noah’s Ark*

*A weekly lesson plan is emailed out to you on a weekly basis. If you change your email address please inform Gail.*

*A copy is also on our notice board, outside.*

**WELCOME**

**We warmly invite a new child to Leapfrogs this half term, Aiden Pledger. We hope he will be very happy in the start of his Early Years Journey with us.**

Our core books this half term are:

**Pre-school**

Noisy London, The Gingerbread man, Jack and the Beanstalk, Chicken puppet book, A turtle in the toilet, Wibbly Pig has 10 balloons

**Nursery**

The Queen’s knickers, The Gingerbread man, Jack and the Beanstalk emergency, Hungry Hen, Noah’ Ark, Blue Balloon



**Children’s Achievements**

 We would like to congratulate children for their achievements made last half term.

Our ‘stars of the week’ were:

Eden Hardcastle – successfully putting on her socks and shoes all by herself

Poppy Brett – singing the song ‘Horsey, Horsey’, to all her peers and teachers



We are now collecting Active Kid Vouchers from Sainsburys. Please pop all your vouchers in the box by the front entrance. Sainsburys Active Kid Vouchers is an excellent way to gain new resources and equipment for the setting. So please start collecting them from all your family members.

**Out of School Club**

Afterschool club will not be running on Tuesday 24th May, due to staff training. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

**Committee Meeting Reminder**

Please don’t forget our next meeting will be held on Tuesday19th April at the Three Tunns PH, in Great Hormead, at 7.30pm. Please come along and join us

**Parent Helpers**

We are always trying to involve parents/carers in the setting. If you have a spare hour or so can you come and help in a session? It’s a great opportunity to see how well the children learn and play. Please let Gail know.

**Healthy Lunches**

To promote healthy eating we would like to ask you to refrain from adding sweets, chocolate, sweet drinks and crisps to your child’s lunch box. Please see our **‘**Promoting health and hygiene - Food and drink Policy’. Water is accessible all day and children do not drink fruit juice during session times.

We would also like to thank you for not bringing in foods containing nuts!![C:\Users\Gail!!\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\IE\VCLYUHQ0\logo[1].gif]()

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**Carnival Day –CALLING ALL TEDDY BEARS**

We are going to be leaping frogs in our carnival parade, this year, and more details will be forwarded over the next few weeks.

We are also going to be running a stall – Teddy Bear Raffle. So we are asking for any donations of fluffy, clean bears that we can use for the stall, large or small. Please bring them as soon as possible.

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**A few extra dates for your Summer Diary 2016**

**Nursery Photographer- Friday 27 May**

**Quiz Night – Friday 27 May**

**Buntingford Carnival – all children dressed up and walking the parade – Saturday 18th June**

**Summer Nursery trip to Paradise Wildlife Park (Leapfrogs closed)– Wednesday 13th July**

**Graduation and Sports afternoon (End of Term) – Friday 22nd July**

Please note more information will be sent out nearer the time!