



## NOTICES FOR ALL PARENTS Week ending 20th March 2026

### **Last Day of Term**

A reminder that the school will close at 1:30 pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

Please note, KOOSA Kids will **not** be running on this day as they prepare for the Easter Holiday Club.

### **Mufti-Day – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

To get party-ready for the PSA disco, children are welcome to come to school in their own clothes.

### **KOOSA Kids Easter Holiday Club**

KOOSA Kids will be running their Easter Holiday Club from 30<sup>th</sup> March to 10<sup>th</sup> April. Please see the attached flyer for further information. To book a place please use the link below

<https://www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club>

### **Dress Up Clothes**

If you have any unwanted dress-up clothes that you would like to donate, please give them to a member of the EYFS team. Thank you.

### **Online Safety Weekly Updates – Safe and Healthy Online Habits**

Please see the attached flyer on strategies for developing digital resilience.

### **Book Fair**

Just a reminder that we will be hosting the book fair on

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 3:10-4pm in the Studio.** Please pop in after you have collected your child to peruse an amazing selection of children's fiction and non-fiction texts. We are unable to accept cash payments but will have a card payment system for easy purchases.

### **Open Doors**

A reminder that Open Doors for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Bookings will close on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

### **Loveworks – Food Bank Donations**

Please [click here](#) for information about donations to Loveworks, a local Food Bank Charity.

### **Greensand Job Opportunities**

Please [click here](#) for current opportunities within Greensand MAT.

### **Follow us on Facebook/Instagram**

Stay updated on all the latest news, events, activities, and celebrations in our school. Follow us on Facebook [here](#) or on Instagram [here](#). Please invite family and friends to follow us as well.

## NOTICES FOR NURSERY PARENTS

### Junk Modelling

Please collect any clean, empty small boxes (not cereal boxes), empty kitchen roll cylinders, yoghurt pots, bottle lids and send them into school.

**We have a number of children who have a severe allergy to eggs, milk and gluten so we ask that NO EGG BOXES or CEREAL BOXES, INCLUDING CEREAL BARS be sent to school for junk modelling. Please ensure that all yoghurt pots are thoroughly washed out. Please also avoid sending in any packaging that contained nuts, pine nuts, lentils, chickpeas or sesame seeds. Thank you for your support.**

### Collection of Seeds

When we come back after the Easter break, we will be starting our topic on growing. As part of this we will be looking at the different seeds we find in our fruit and vegetables. We would be very grateful if you had any seeds at home to donate that we can look at and potentially grow. Any spare compost would also be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

## NOTICES FOR RECEPTION PARENTS

### Tadpoles

We would like to give our children the opportunity to observe tadpoles mature into frogs by keeping tadpoles in our classrooms. If you can help source some tadpoles for Reception, please let your child's teacher know.

### Growing

After Easter break, we will be learning about growing seeds and the structure of a plant and revisiting what we know about recycling.

**If you are able, please send into school by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026:**

- A clear, empty, clean plastic bottle (500ml, 1l or 2l bottle) with the top section cut off. (Please only send the bottom section)
- 2-3 pieces of kitchen roll



If you have any extra potting soil, seeds, or kitchen rolls that you are happy to donate, we would be very grateful.

## **Maths Games**

Please return any games that may have been forgotten. After Easter we will resume fortnightly turns to enjoy the games, with Ducks and Rabbits turn commencing on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

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## **NOTICES FOR YEAR ONE PARENTS**

### **Hever Castle Trip**

The children had a fabulous time exploring Hever Castle and taking part in a workshop to learn about what life would have been like for the castle residents. They were 'responsible penguins' and great ambassadors for our school; we were very proud of them. Photos to follow in the newsletter! A huge thank you to the wonderful volunteers who accompanied us.

### **Dip and Do Home Learning**

To support and embed the children's learning on castles, we will be sending home some Dip and Do activities for you to enjoy together at home. Please return the learning on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April so that the children can share any pictures, stories, photos, models etc. with their class. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Toilet roll tubes**

Please save any empty toilet-roll tubes and pass them to the Year 1 teachers. Thank you.

### **Extra-Curricular Clubs – Summer Term Bookings**

We're excited to share a range of extra-curricular clubs running at Holmesdale this summer term. Full details of all clubs can be found on the [school website](#). Please note that each club manages its own bookings, so any questions about availability or registration should be directed to the club provider. We're also delighted to welcome Willow Dance back for the summer term. They will be offering a Dance Performance Club every Tuesday after school.

### **Reading Volunteers**

If you have an up-to-date DBS check and have an hour to spare, we would love you to come into school to hear readers. Please let your child's class teacher know if you can support us with this. Thank you.

### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

A reminder that there are no Extra-Curricular Clubs in the last week of term.

## NOTICES FOR YEAR TWO PARENTS

### **Trip to Wakehurst – Tuesday 2nd June 2026**

This is a reminder that information about the trip to Wakehurst has been sent previously. Please note that payment for this trip is due by **Friday 1st May**. If you have any questions, please get in touch with the school office. Thank you.

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### **DT – Moving Vehicle Day**

Thank you for all the boxes that you have brought in ready for our DT day next week. If you have any additional boxes at home that we can use as spares we would be really grateful if you could bring them in before Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March when we are all making our vehicles. Thank you.

### **Enrichment**

A big thank you to Mrs Poortman for coming in this week to talk to the children about her role in Gatwick airport. The children really enjoyed the session. This week on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March we will have our rearranged dance workshop also linked to our topic on Transport. If it isn't your child's usual PE day please don't worry about getting them dressed into their PE kit as they can join in in their school uniform.

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