Bicknacre Pre-School
Newsletter

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When shopping online, please use the following link to help the Preschool:
www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bicknacrepreschool

Dates for the Diary:

Preschool Returns: Monday 26th February
World Book Day: Thursday 7th March
End of Term: *Thursday* 28th March
Easter Holidays: 29th March – 14th April
Summer Term Starts: Monday 15th April
Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May

Our focus this Week

26th February - Letter R & S
4th March – Letters T & U
11th March – Letters V & W
18th March – Letters X, Y & Z
25th March - Easter

From 2 January 2024, eligible **working parents** of 2 year-olds are able to apply for a code for 15 hours of funded childcare, **starting from 1st April 2024**. The DfE has recommended that parents start applying from mid-January.

If you have any queries regarding eligibility, please click on the following link which should help you understand what entitlements you may be able to receive:
https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/

If you are eligible for this funding then you can apply by clicking on the link below:
https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-childcare-if-youre-working

GOOD NEWS!
We can confirm a new Manager with lots of experience in Early Years education will be joining the Preschool from 15th April. We will of course have more information for you nearer the time, and hopefully have her in to meet the children before then.

We also have a new staff member joining us after the Half Term break. Karen is a very experienced Level 3 qualified Early Years practitioner who we look forward to welcoming to the team.

Jenny's recovery following her operation is taking a little longer than she thought. She is hoping to come into the preschool for a catch up soon.

World Book Day, Thursday 7th March

If your child wishes to come to Preschool on the day dressed as their favourite book character then feel free to let them. This is not compulsory as we know not all children enjoy dressing up.

Unfortunately, Shannon will be leaving the Preschool just after Half Term, due to changes in her family circumstances.
We thank her for her time with us and wish her lots of luck for the future.