WELCOME

Our themes this half term are Mother's Day, Easter and Growing. We will be creating displays, making cards and learning songs for the different themes. We will also be looking at young animals and plants and observing how they grow. We will also be observing the lifecycle of a chick.

We will continue to enjoy visits from the Librarian.

Thank you to all who attended the library for our Rattle and Rhyme session, the children, parents and staff that attended had a lovely time and we hope it showed you a little of what we do at T4T's when Jackie, the Librarian comes to visit.

We have sent out 2Simple Learning Journeys by email to all parents, if you have not received it please see your child's Key Person.

If your child enjoys coming to T4T's and you would like to add another session or two after Easter, please see Eve as soon as possible.

WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day for Pre-school will be on **Thursday** 7th **March**, we are inviting all children to dress up as a favorite book character and to bring in a copy of their favorite book (please label with child's name). Children will be given a book token so that they can use it to purchase a book.

BRING A PLANT WEEK

During the week beginning **18th March** we are asking for donations of plants (herbs, flowers, small plants, shrubs, bark and gravel) so that we can start to brighten up our outdoor area, we would also welcome packets of seeds, a wheel barrow and outside accessories. Thank you.

MOTHER'S DAY DROP IN and EASTER CRAFT SESSION

On **Thursday 28th March** 2019, we would like to invite Mum or another family member to a Mother's Day drop in and Easter craft session from 10.30am. There will be an opportunity to complete a Mother's Day card and make your child's Easter bonnet or hat. Please bring an Easter hat/bonnet ready to decorate in the session with your child. We will provide the resources to decorate your hat/bonnet in this session.

Refreshments will be available for parents and children for a small charge.

Raffle tickets will go on sale on the 28th March ready for our Easter raffle to be drawn at the

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end of term, so don't forget to buy your tickets for your chance to win an Easter egg. They will be $\pounds 1$ for a strip.

The PTA have invited T4T's children to take part in an Easter Hat Parade/Competition in the school hall on Thursday 4th April from 9:20am - 9:45am. They are asking parents to make an Easter hat with their child at home and pay £1.00 to enter the Easter Hat Parade/ competition in the hall, there will be a small egg for each child that enters the competition and the winner of the Easter Hat

Parade/competition will win an Easter Egg, we hope as many children as possible enter as all money raised will be used on the children.

T4T's SESSIONS

T4T's opening times are 9am till 12pm. We would ask that parents/carers keep to these times as much as possible.

If parents need to contact T4T's by phone about an absence or to speak to a member of staff can phone calls be made between 8.30am-9.00am. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

T4T's direct line is 01384 818372.

Email: <u>ebradley@amblecote.dudley.sch.uk</u>

If you are paying Fees to T4T's please be reminded that this is now £15.75 per session and needs to be paid in advance at the start of your child's week.

REMINDERS

- It is every parent's responsibility to check their child's hair on a weekly basis so that head lice can be spotted early, information can be obtained from www.nhs.uk
- Keep us up to date with changes to telephone numbers so that we can contact you with text alerts.
- Please do not allow your child into T4T's with food stored in their bag due to allergies.
- We request that children do not bring toys into the setting unless it has been discussed with the child's Key Person beforehand and is for a reason, often these toys are forgotten at home time or they may get broken and the child becomes upset.
- WOW cards are available from the parent display board for you to write on and bring back to school where they will be discussed at group time and displayed on our British values board.
- A weekly activity sheet is displayed on the T4T's window and on the school website that will inform you of the proposed activities for the week; this will include any special events, home links, visitors and the story and rhyme of the week. Letters you may have missed will be located here also.
- We ask for a weekly contribution of £1.00, this will provide cooking ingredients, snacks, resources and equipment to help enhanced activities for the children.
- Billy Bear is available for your child to take home for day trips, birthdays or overnight stays. Please let a member of staff know if you would like to take Billy with you.

REQUESTS

- Used birthday cards, envelopes, decorative note paper
- Good quality used toys
- Outdoor toys
- Bubble wrap, pieces of material, sponges
- Washing bowls, large spoons, pots and pans

DIARY DATES

Thurs 7th March- World Book Day-Children to dress up as a favourite book character

Thurs 28th March- Mother's Day drop in and Easter craft session-10.30am

Thurs 4th April-Easter Hat Parade/ competition Fri 12th April-Break up for Easter

Mon 29th April- T4T's return

Thurs 2nd May-school closed for Local Elections Mon 6th May-Bank Holiday Thurs 23rd May - Break up for half term Fri 24th May-INSET

DATES CAN BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Main schools Newsletter can be accessed on the main school website.