



# Rockwood Nursery School

## June 2018

## Newsletter



### Diary Dates

#### Group Photos - Tiny Pixels



Group photographs of the children will be taken on **Wednesday 20th June.**

**Wednesday 11th July 3pm - 5pm**

Progress meeting drop in for all our school leavers. Come and speak with Karen or Alison about your child's report.



### Summer Holidays 2018

**Closure after session:**

**Thursday 19th July**

**Re-open for children:**

**Wednesday 5th September**

### Arts and Crafts Workshops

We are looking for contributions of buttons, ribbon, fabric, bottle tops, shiny sweet wrappers, feathers, egg boxes, yoghurt pots and small boxes and plastic bottles for the children to use.



### Coffee and Chat



**Parent Coffee and Chat - come along and find out our plans for next year and give us ideas and feedback on your child's experiences at Rockwood.**

### Text Messaging Service



We ask every family to contribute **£3** per year to fund our text messaging service. This notifies parents of special events and urgent messages. If you haven't already contributed, this would be appreciated. Thank you.

### Special Visit...

On Friday 29th June at 10:30am, Tracy Brabin MP (Shadow Minister for Early Years) is coming to visit Rockwood with Burnley MP, Julie Cooper. We are keen to show her how important Maintained Nursery Schools are and discuss our future as the 24 schools within Lancashire are under threat due to lack of funding. Parents/Carers/Governors are welcome to come to the event. It is subject to last minute change if parliament has urgent meetings.

### Reminder for the £3 Weekly Donation

This pays for lots of extras for the children such as Chick Hatching, baking, Library & Story Sacks, Theatre Visits, Party food & prizes, Butterflies, Mother's Day presents, Outdoor wear, Wellybobs, Library Bus, Seeds and planting, Leaver's & Christmas presents and much, much more. Without the donations we cannot afford to do these things.



### Reminder about Snack Sharing



We find ourselves running very low on fruit for snack sharing often. Please can your child bring a piece of fruit to each session they attend to share with their friends. Thank you.

## Rockwood Raffle

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Summer raffle. These are the winners!



## Transitions to Primary School

This is a very exciting term for our children and families who are moving to primary school in September. All the reception class teachers are invited to Rockwood to speak with your child and their Key Person over this term. As we find out visit dates, we will add them to the diary on the website. It is very important that you attend any sessions provided by the Primary School to support your child to have a happy transition to school. We are happy for children to be collected during sessions in Rockwood in order to attend these welcome sessions. Please make sure your Key Person is aware in advance if you need an early collection .

## Wellybob's Farm

We had lots of fun meeting all the animals on the Wellybob's bus in May. We fed some lambs and stroked lots of animals and explored how different they all felt, we also counted them.



## Bags and Sweatshirts

Things are getting very busy in the cloakroom with all the children's bags. The pump bags we sell for £1 are a great size and fit easily and neatly on the children's pegs. Please make sure you label all of your child's belongings so they can be easily returned. We know your children are as keen to get down and mucky as the staff! If you want to buy a nursery jumper to keep their other clothes clean, they can be bought from the office at £9 and new this year, t-shirts at £3.50.

## LIBRARY, RHYME CARDS and STORY SACKS



The library is in the Conservatory. Children can borrow a book and a rhyme card in the morning, lunch time or after school all through the week.

On Wednesdays we also have **STORY SACKS** available. Please note our last Story Sack swap session will be **Wed 27th June**. All story sacks will be collected in by the **5th July** so they can be sorted ready for next term.

Please encourage your child to join our library. We look forward to seeing your child grow into a book lover.

## A VISIT FROM THE LIBRARY BUS

The Library Bus stopped by at Rockwood Nursery to show off their huge range of children's books. The children really enjoyed visiting the bus and having a story on the bus. Thanks again to your weekly £3 donations, we were able to borrow a very good selection of exciting books for the whole year.