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Theydon Bois Pre-School Group

Newsletter – 22 May 2022

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Letter of the week....We are encouraging the children to bring items for show and tell that start with the letter of the week. This week the letter is **Qq** (for Queen!)

Thursday 26 June – Tea Party!

On Thursday we will be celebrating the Queen's platinum jubilee with a long table tea party in the afternoon.

All the children are invited to wear red/white/blue and make a donation which we will put towards purchasing new books for the children to support our focus on literacy.



THANK YOU to all our parents/carers for your donations for **World Bee Day**. It was wonderful to see the children dressed in bee colours and bee costumes! We raised £33.34 which is being put toward the cost of our chicks.

Like a swarm of bees the children worked together to create this 'brilliant bumble bee'. Each day we ended the afternoon with a focus on bees and looked at all the wonderful resources we had on loan to us, one child was brave enough to try the bee keeping outfit on!

We hope this week to make candles from bee's wax sheets which were kindly donated to us by [Loughton Honey](#). Should you wish to purchase a jar of honey made by our local bees please click [here](#) or text Loughton Honey on 07811 964 081.

Phonics...The children had to help Queen bee across the sound flowers home to her hive where baby Bertie bee was waiting for some nectar!



Life Cycles....our Chicks have arrived!!

It has been an amazing experience for both children and staff to observe and experience the life cycle of a chicken in the pre-school this past week.



Our chick eggs arrived on Monday last week in their incubator. The children looked on in awe and wonder as each of the chicks pecked away at their shells until they successfully broke free and hatched into the incubator. The chicks stay in their incubator for 3-4 hours and once they had recovered from all their hard work and their feathers were dry they were carefully transferred to their large cage and placed under the heated plate.



They are very sociable chicks, when the children come to visit and look at them they come over to greet them with a cheep. Alison has been looking after them over the weekend and they will be back with us from Monday to Thursday this week. The children will be able to handle them this week!

If there is anyone who would prefer their child didn't handle the chicks, please do call and let us know.



Life Cycles continued....

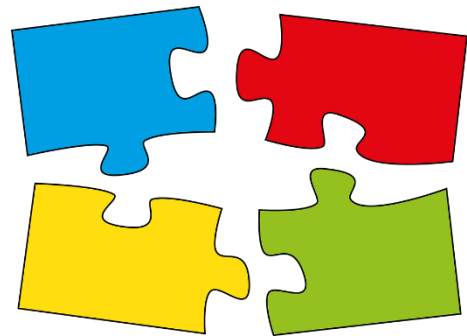


Our **caterpillars** have now transformed into their chrysalides!!!

When the butterflies emerge they will rely on the children and staff for their meals! The children will be able to watch their butterflies sip the sweet nectar from fruit and flowers placed into their habitat.

A request for **puzzles**....If anyone has any puzzles that are no longer played with at home we would welcome them here at pre-school. Especially 20-40 piece puzzles.

If you have any games that children can group together to play we would also be very grateful for those.



Fathers Day Artwork is now complete, your child's design will be emailed to you this week and you will be able to place an order for fathers day mugs with the design on. Details to follow in your email.



SAVE THE DATE

Sunday 10th July – Donkey Derby

We will need parent and staff volunteers to run our welly wanging stall from midday to 4.30pm (ideally in pairs/threes) and for setting up and taking down the stall. Further details to follow

but if you are able to help, please email tbpsoffice@gmail.com

A reminder that Friday 27 May is an **INSET day** at the pre-school and we will be closed. We look forward to welcoming back our children on Monday 6 June.

Fundraising for our pre-school

As a charity run pre-school we rely heavily on donations and fundraising all of which is put back into the pre-school and help pay towards our activities, supplies, equipment and training for our staff.

If you would like to get involved, we are always looking for volunteers to help us fundraise - this may be to help on the day of an event, simply to put forward a great idea or you may wish to join the Committee and make some friends along the way! If this is you, please contact our [Chairpersons](#).

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