

# DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



## Epsom



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### Message from the Head Teacher

We have nearly reached the end of the term, the end of my first term at Pre-Prep Epsom. It has been a busy and exciting term. I would like to extend my thanks to all the staff, children and families who have helped and supported me to settle this term. I have had a thoroughly enjoyable term leading the school, and look forward to many more terms and years in this role. We have great plans for the future to enhance the learning experience even further for your children, while still maintaining the strengths that we pride ourselves on such as our caring, nurturing approach and our high educational standards. These are very exciting times!

The clubs lists for Rising Reception, Reception and Year 1 for next term are all out now. I hope you can see

that we are trying to increase the choice and variety on offer for our children, as well as extending clubs out to Rising Reception. If there are any different clubs that you would like to see us offering, please let us know. We are trying to find a Spanish teacher to run a club for us next year following parent feedback. Please get your clubs forms back to us as soon as possible as places are filling up fast.

We will be having a big focus on uniform next term. Please use the Easter break to ensure your child has the correct uniform (as it is all named), as per the schools expectations. These can be found on the website, or a paper copy can be picked up in the office.

Mrs Vanessa Conlan

### Don't Forget!

- Bring your Easter bonnet to school on TUESDAY
- We are collecting Woodcote Green Nursery vouchers. We would like to start planting an orchard in the woodland garden. Your vouchers will help to get us started.
- We are continuing to collect Sainsburys vouchers. Our collection box is getting heavy now! Thank you for your support.

### Mother's Day Assemblies

Thank you to everyone who came to our wonderful Mother's Day assemblies and made them so special for the children.



### DEPA news

We would like to give a big thank you to all those who attended and helped organise the DEPA Quiz Night. It was a fun evening and raised over £500!

### New website

Have you seen the new website yet? What do you think? The parent portal username and password have not changed. Just to remind everyone, they are:  
Username: EpsomPP  
Password: EPP2016



## Downsend School

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### Celebration Board

Achievements in class work, good manners and excellent behaviour are celebrated in a special assembly every week.

We congratulated the following children this week:

**First Steps**  
Tommy

**RR SB/RP**  
Whole Class

**RRCC**  
Florence and Zareef

**Reception**  
Whole class

**Y1 PM**  
Byron

**Y1 CB/AB**  
Alejandro

**Well Done!**

### Notice to leave Downsend

We should like to remind parents that if you are leaving Downsend at the end of the summer term, notice must be given before the first day of that term, i.e. no later than Wednesday 19th April. Where parents have not given a term's written notice, fees in lieu of notice will be applicable. To avoid missing this deadline, you may find it more convenient to give notice by Wednesday 29th March, the last day of the Spring term. Notice should be in writing and addressed to and received by the Head personally or the Business Manager on the Head's behalf. It is expected that parents will consult with the Head before giving notice to withdraw a pupil. Full Terms & Conditions are available to view on the Parent Portal section of the website.

### Our funniest jokes!



The children looked great in their Red Noses today and were fantastic at telling their jokes to the school. The teachers agreed the funniest jokes were:

What is big, furry and flies? A hot air baboon!  
(Tom B)

What do you call a sleeping bull? A bulldozer! (Arha)

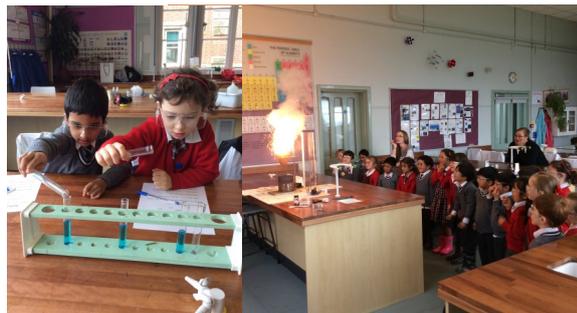
Why could the bike not stand up? It was 'tyred'! (Thomas C)

Why shouldn't you give a balloon to Elsa? Because she'll 'Let it Go!' (Dianna)

What do you call a teacher who is late? Mr Bus! (Henry H)

Knock, knock. Who's there? Interrupting cow. Interrupting cow who? Moo! (Said while asking the question) - Reggie and Luca

### Y1 trip to Epsom College linked to British Science Week



### Quotes

I enjoyed it 100%!  
My favourite part was everything!  
I liked the rocket that made a loud bang!

### Events Week Commencing Monday 27th March Lunch Menu week 3

Mon	3.30—4.30	Performing arts club (parents welcome from 4.15)
Tues	9.00—12.00	DEPA Easter egg hunt/sponsored walk
Wed	3.30	Term finishes at 3.30pm. Lates finishes at 4.00pm.

**Inspiring young minds**