## DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES

# Epsom



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## Message from the Head Teacher

We have had the most wonderful International Week this week. The children in Risina Reception. Reception and Year 1 have worked superbly with each other in their mixed up groups this and enjoyed the very wide variety of activities on offer. We have been Indian dancing, Chinese dragon parading, making flags, constructing the Sydney Harbour Bridge from straws and masking tape, tasting Indian food, writing Chinese numbers, tasting Jamaican food, making Jamaican carnival masks and lots, lots more! Thank you to all our wonderful staff for making this happen.

First Steps have been taking part in International Week in a slightly different way. They have bringing in pictures and objects from home that reflect the country their family comes from. They have really enjoyed sharing their pictures and objects—we even had a rendition of the Indian National Anthem which everyone really enjoyed. A huge thank you to all our First Steps parents who have worked with the children to support them with this.

A huge thank you to all parents from myself regarding the parking in Denham Road and Norman Avenue. I do know parking is very tricky and although I do want to keep positive relations with our neighbours, my primary reason for requesting no parking in our 2 roads is due to pupil safety.

I look forward to some of you joining us for lunch next week. You will see us in our normal routine, so please be patient with us!

Mrs Vanessa Conlan



- Parent lunches start at 12.15 for FS and RR and 12.45pm for Reception and Year I next week. Please arrive 5 minutes before this to help us with the smooth running of lunchtime.
- YI can be collected at 2.30 after swimming on Tuesday (after the parent meeting), not 2.15 as the original letter stated.

Please name all snack pots

## Parent Questionnaire

Please complete your parent questionnaire. Your feedback is really important to us. Apologies for admissions questionnaires sent in error. I have reported this to Cognita—we are not the only school who has experienced these problems. A huge thank you to those parents who have already completed the questionnaire. In next weeks newsletter I will start feeding back information received.





## **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 Avirat

**RR SB/RP** Grace

RRCC Imogen

Reception Noah

YI PM Amy

YI CB/AB Tom

Well Done!



#### Events Week Commencing Monday 15th May Lunch Menu week 2

Mon	am Lunchtime	Mrs Butler out of school Rising Reception parents lunch
Tues	am 1.00 1.30 3.30—4.30 3.30—4.30	Mr Thorpe in school YI welcome to Y2 assembly at main site YI parents meeting at main site Tennis club Ready, Steady Go Kids
Wed	Lunchtime 3.30—4.30 3.30—4.30	First Steps parents lunch Arts and crafts club Forest club
Thurs	Lunchtime 3.30—4.30	Reception parents lunch Gardening club
Fri	All day Lunchtime pm pm 3.30—4.30	Mrs Carruthers out of school Year I parents lunch Reception grandparents tea Mrs Conlan out of school Engineering club

#### Inspiring young minds