# DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



## Leatherhead



Weekly outdoor learning with Woodland Forest School

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# Message from the Head Teacher

We are all looking forward to the next few weeks which are going to be very busy with trips and Sports Day, the Summer Fair and Boat Party, visiting our new classrooms not to mention our reading, writing and arithmetic!

Preparations are in full swing for this year's Summer Fair on Sunday 25 June between 3 and 5 p.m. There will be lots of activities for the children to participate in however these do need to be manned and classes have been asked to take a stall or an activity, currently we may not be able to run the bouncy castle through lack of volunteers. If you feel you can offer your services for a half hour slot please contact your class rep.

On Friday 16 June we would like all children to come to school in their own clothes bringing with them a filled decorated jam jar of goodies and a bottle for the bottle tombola.

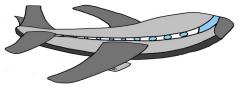
There was a typo in the tea towel note that you will have received, school bags should read tea towels.

Can you help? We are short of spare school clothing which we need if children have accidents. If you have clothing your child has grown out of we would love to have it! Socks and pants too please. Thank you.

Gill Brooks

## First Steps going on holiday

This week in Nursery we have been learning about different ways of travelling. We made our own travel agents and chose how and where we would like to go. We enjoyed using our happy land toys to create an airport and a campsite.







### **Don't Forget!**

- On Monday 12 June, we will try again to have our whole school photo at 9 a.m. Red blazers to be worn, please.
- On Thursday 15 June First
   Steps children who normally
   attend on a Thursday will
   show their parents what they
   do in their French and Dance
   lessons.
- On Friday 16 June it's Mufti Day – wear your own clothes!
- The deadline for ordering the tea towels for your class is Monday 12 June.





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#### 'Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside!'

On Wednesday morning, the children in Year One were whisked back in time to discover the delights of seaside holidays in the past when Maggie, from Chertsey Museum, arrived with a wonderful assortment of original and replica items for us to examine. The boys tried on thick cotton sailor suits and the girls gasped with horror at the thought of wearing the knitted swimming costume. After being shown photos of bathing machines and ladies, and gentlemen, wearing full length swimsuits, the children were able to try on a selection of Victorian and Edwardian clothes to parade along the promenade, complete with lacy parasols, gloves and hats. Punch and Judy made an appearance and there was even time to write a postcard home which in Victorian times would have arrived home the same day! It was fun learning about holidays in the past but everyone agreed that they preferred the holidays we are lucky enough to enjoy now, especially when the sun shines.

#### Golden Board

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

1SB — Adrian Stoltz

1VL— Leo Romay

1AH — Conor Irwin

RCM – Jules De Meyer

RJE - Mary Williams

RAG - Sebastian Cowley



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