

# DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



## Leatherhead



Weekly outdoor learning with  
Woodland Forest School

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### Message from the Head Teacher

We have come to the end of the year, one I have really enjoyed, the children have blossomed and their confidence has soared, we are so proud of them all. We had a wonderful Leavers' Assembly on Monday where our Yr.1 children shared their memories of the past few years, sang with great gusto and were just a delight to be with; well done Yr. 1 we are going to miss such a great year group!

The calendar, menus and club form will be sent out on the first day of term which is Wednesday 6 September. Breakfast club will be open for business from 7.30 a.m.

On behalf of all the staff I wish you all a wonderful summer. Gill Brooks

Last week Rising Reception had a successful trip to Birdworld. We saw lots of different birds and got to watch the penguins being fed. The children also went to look around the farm and got up close with mice, rabbits, guinea pigs, a baby turkey and a chinchilla. Everyone was extremely well behaved and a fantastic day was had by all. A lovely way to end the school year.







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### Autumn term curriculum meetings for parents

Tuesday 12 September – 9 a.m. Yr.1 parents curriculum meeting

Wednesday 13 September – 9 a.m. Reception parents curriculum meeting

Thursday 14 September – 9 a.m. Rising Reception parents curriculum meeting.

Aha me hearties! The children in Reception have had a fabulous week learning about Pirates. They had an arrrrrr-mazing Forest School afternoon on Tuesday making pirate ships and treasure maps with Mr Bristow and Mrs Hughes. On Thursday the children went to different classes to complete some fun pirate activities. The children made pirate hats, x marks the spot cakes and followed clues to find the hidden gold!



It's now a tradition at Downsend Pre-Prep Leatherhead that the children are rewarded for all their efforts with a Forest School day at the end of term. The adventure takes place in the amazing Forest School area down amongst the trees, around the camp fire at the bottom of the school field. We made dens, built houses for fairies, organised a BBQ in the mud kitchen, sang songs, cooked sausages and roasted marshmallows!



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