# DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



# Epsom @ Easter



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# **DEPA** news

#### Epsom Eggs'travaganza

Thanks to all parents and children for getting into the Easter spirit on Monday, it was wonderful to see so many gorgeous Easter bonnets. We hope all the children enjoyed the DEPA organised event and loved having the opportunity to meet our very special Epsom Easter bunny! We are also delighted to confirm that we were able to raise a whopping **£275.50** for Rianna's Fund as a result of the sponsored walk. A huge thank you to all the mums and dads who turned out to support the smooth running of the event and in particular to Preti, Mandy, Kim and Sheila for the brilliant organisation.

#### Save the Date – 23 May is Bollywood Bingo night

The next major social event in our DEPA calendar is our Bollywood Bingo evening which will be held at school from 07.30 on Wednesday 23 May 2018. We are finalising the arrangements now and will get back to you after Easter with details on how to get involved. In the meantime, start swatting up on your Bingo Lingo!

#### Coffee morning – 24 April

Our next coffee morning is Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April in the School Hall. This is an important one as we will roll out our Summer Fair plans and would value your input. We hope you are able to make a little time to attend. Let us know: epsomdepa@qmail.com

#### Get your dancing shoes on...

Thanks to all those parents who have made enquiries about the upcoming Downsend Ball, we heard back from the DPA Chair who noted that tickets will go on sale once we get back from the Easter break. From the sounds of it, it looks like it is going to be very good fun, so it would be brilliant to represent Epsom Pre-Prep at this event. If you are interested in attending, let your Class Rep know. Event details are as follows:

Location: The Conservatory at Painshill Park, Cobham

Date: : Friday 15th June 2018 Price: £85 pp (Inc welcome drink , 3 course meal with half bottle of wine pp, Disco , silent auction, live auction , photographer.





## **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.

> First Steps Alan Sophie P Carter

Hedgehogs Avirat Maxi

**Squirrels** Sonia Keira

Badgers Manya Rebecca

> **Owls** Millie

Dianna

Well Done!

## Loose parts play

We need your help! We want to further develop our investigative and explorative play opportunities through introducing more 'loose parts' play. Loose parts play does what it says on the tin! It is providing different loose parts for the children to play with however they want, hence developing imaginative, investigative and explorative play. We are collecting/purchasing different loose parts but would like your help with our collection please.

We would welcome donations of: cardboard tubes (kitchen roll, not toilet roll), corks, jar lids, bottle tops, unwanted kitchen utensils, ice cube trays and pots and pans and bubble wrap



### Summer uniform

Rising Reception, Reception and Year 1 children are expected to be wearing Summer uniform after the Easter break. Blazers are still needed for Reception and Year 1 please. Girls should be wearing socks with their Summer uniform.

Can I please remind everyone that hats/scarves should be school ones (hopefully we won't need them next term!) and also that hair accessories should only be red or black.

### Notice to Leave Reminder

We would 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 next term, i.e no later than Tuesday 17 April 2018. Where Parents have not given a term's written notice, fees in lieu of notice will be applicable. Notice should be in writing and addressed to and received by Mrs Conlan personally or the Business Manager on the her 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.

Carole Dickie, Business Manager

	Events Week Commencing Tuesday 17th April		
	Lunch Menu week 1		
	Tues		Back to school!
	Wed	12.00/3.30	First DEPA ice lolly sale TBC—details coming
	Thurs	9.00	Celebration assembly
	Fri	9.00—12.00	Cognita Health and Safety audit

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