

DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



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Message from the Head Teacher

It was lovely, as always, to see parents in school this week to enjoy lunch with the Reception children. We look forward to enjoying lunch with our Year 1 parents next week. If you haven't let Mrs Tucker know that you are coming yet, please do so to ensure there is a lunch for you!

We also look forward to seeing Fathers in school next Thursday morning to spend some special time in school with the children. We hope our Fathers have a wonderful time.

Last Friday we had grandparents in school to share some special time with their Reception grandchildren. Everyone had a wonderful afternoon and the children loved hearing their grandparents' stories of their own schooling.

One of the things I love about our school is our family focused approach. We love having family members coming into school to share our learning and activities and the children take huge joy in seeing you here—thank you for your support coming to the events. I know it is not always easy to get the time.

You may have seen my letter this afternoon explaining that we have been successful in gaining the Millie's Mark, a Quality Standard in providing paediatric First Aid and being very proactive in minimising risks and accidents. The standards and expectations are very high for this award so I am delighted that our hard work in this area has been recognised.

Mrs Vanessa Conlan

DEPA news

Monday 11 June – Camping Day

Our children are all very excited for camping day on Monday! Don't forget to bring a pillow, blanket and that all important Luxury Bottle for the bottle tombola on Monday please. A reminder that the bottle can be something lovely to drink, eat or indeed bathe in – something you would love to win yourself. There will be a box in reception to place your luxury bottle in on Monday morning.

Saturday 23 June – Summer Event

Hopefully you all received your Summer Event ticket forms – please make sure you get your forms into Mrs Tucker, along with the cash/ cheque or online payment by **15 June** to benefit from the pre event prices! We are working to finalise the programme this week so we hope to share that with you all next week – in the meantime if you would like to volunteer, please let us know as we still have a few slots to fill. Speak to your class rep, or email on: epsomDEPA@gmail.com

Rising Reception trip to Ladyland Farm

Rising Reception had a great day at Ladyland farm on Tuesday. We set off ready to go with our lunches in our back packs and our wellies on. When we arrived we saw a mother goat and her kids, bunnies only a few days old, sheep, new born chicks, ducklings and eight day old calves. The children were able to hand feed a lot of the animals, as well as picking them up and stroking them. The tractor ride was very bumpy but enjoyed by all. At lunch time the packed lunches were greatly enjoyed! After lunch the children had fun playing in the fields on the hay bales and the old tractors. A perfect end to a perfect day.





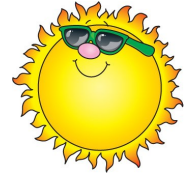
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Summer Holiday Club

Downsend Epsom Pre-Prep + Holiday club will be open from Monday 9th July to Wednesday 29th August (closed Bank Holiday Monday 27th August). Please call 07889 011 275 for more details.



Please return booking forms by Friday 22nd June to receive the Early Bird discount.

Year 1 visit from Chertsey Museum

Year 1 had a great time when Chertsey Museum came to visit as part of their Journeys topic. They dressed up in Victorian beach clothes, went for a stroll along the promenade and created their own puppets for a Punch and Judy show, learning all about the journeys to the seaside that the Victorians used to make.



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

Elijah
Tommy
Ralph

Hedgehogs

Nandini
Avirat

Squirrels

Arjun
Zoe

Badgers

Anna

Owls

Ayaan

Events Week Commencing Monday 11th June

Lunch Menu week 2

Mon	All day	DEPA camping day
	3.30—4.30	Spanish club
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Tues	All day	Reception to Royal Observatory Greenwich
	am	Transition event for Downsend Reception children
	3.30—4.30	Ready Steady Go Kids
Wed	12.45	Y1 Parents join for lunch
	3.30—4.30	Forest club s
	4.00	FS and RR teachers at cross pre-prep moderation meetings
Thurs	pm	Mrs Conlan, Ms Clayton and Mrs Carruthers at end of year Governance meeting with James Carroll from Cognita
	3.30—4.30	Science club starts
Fri	All day	Mrs Conlan out at Akeley Wood School
	3.30—4.30	Cookery club

Well Done!

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