

# Chudleigh Pre-School Autumn Term 2021



A warm WELCOME to all our children and families starting at both of our sites, its lovely welcoming back our regular children whilst looking forward to getting to know our new children and families.

## Chudfest Fete

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who supported our stall at the Chudfest Fete. The children made cupcake bunting to decorate our gazebo and the home-made cakes and Devonshire cream teas went 'down. a treat' 😊 We raised £148.10 for Pre-School which is going towards new role play units at our Town Hall site.



**As we start the term please can we remind all parents and carers to NAME ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING, LUNCH BOXES & BAGS that the children bring into Pre-School. When children's belongings are part of a large group the children find it really hard to identify their own belongings. Thank you.**

As from the 1st September there is a New Curriculum and Statutory Framework for Early Years Children aged from birth to 5. years All Early Years settings have to follow the framework, but each setting can deliver their own choice of planning and play based learning. Attached with this Newsletter is a letter from Devon County which has been written to go out to parents explaining the New Framework. The new curriculum gives us the opportunity to spend more time interacting and playing with the children.

This means that we will not be completing as many written observations and putting them on Tapestry but it does mean that we will know your children very well and be able to share observations verbally with you. The new Framework goes back to truly believing in Early Years Professionals using their knowledge and judgements in supporting young children's learning and development. At Pre-School we have a highly qualified, professional team of staff that includes 3 Foundation teachers.



Another new aspect of the new curriculum is the emphasis on teaching Oral health and promoting Healthy Eating. We will be giving ideas of healthy packed lunches in further newsletters, but we always ask no chocolate or sweets please.in children's packed lunches. <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life> is a great place to start for ideas of healthy eating for children

For our 3-year-olds we will be restarting our tooth brushing program (that was postponed during Covid). This program is funded by the TORBAY AND SOUTH DEVON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST. who provide all of the training and necessary brushes and tooth paste We will be contacting you as soon as we have retrained through the trust so that we are in line with Covid amendments to practice.



As parents/carers you will receive detailed information about the program and consent forms if you would like to sign your child up to the program.

Our theme to start the term is **Devon Life & Autumn Days.**

This term, we are starting by looking at the theme of Devon Life and Autumn Days. We will be celebrating our local community and the lovely part of Devon that we live in; our local culture and traditions –including those mischievous Devon pixies!



We will be looking at the 'signs' of Autumn as they emerge, with lots of outdoor play to investigate the changing season. If you find conkers, acorns, pinecones or autumn leaves whilst out and about, it would be lovely if you could bring some in for our Interest Tables at both sites.



## KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

As part of our commitment to keeping children safe in our setting and supporting our families at home there is now a far greater need for keeping **children Safe Online** from a much younger age. Below are all websites that focus on giving parents more information around this important issue.



NSPCC - Net Aware - <https://www.net-aware.org.uk>



### AUTUMN TERM 2021

Half term  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> -  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup>  
October

Last day of term Friday 17<sup>th</sup>  
December

### SPRING TERM 2022

First day of term  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
January

Half term Monday 21<sup>st</sup>  
– Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Last day of term Friday  
8<sup>th</sup> April

### SUMMER TERM 2022

First day of term Monday  
25<sup>th</sup> April

Bank holiday Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
May

Half term Monday 30<sup>th</sup>  
May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Non-Pupil Day Monday 6<sup>th</sup>  
June

Last day of term Friday  
22<sup>nd</sup> July



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