

Newsletter July 2023

They say as you get older the years go quicker and for me this year has definitely been the quickest yet. This is the final newsletter of this academic year and what a year it has been. Thank you for choosing Stepping Stones Pre-school to care for, nurture and teach your little people this year, it has been a pleasure and a privilege. Wishing you all a wonderful summer. And a fond farewell to those moving on. Very best wishes from all the Stepping Stones staff and committee.

AGM – Save the date – Wednesday 27th September 8pm

We will be holding our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 27th September at 8pm, all parents are encouraged to come along and hear more about the business.

Consultation

The consultation for Clipston Primary School to change their age range from 4-11 to 3-11 years has now closed. We are awaiting news on the next stages and will keep you updated as soon as we know anything further.

Dresses

We have a lot of little girls coming in to Stepping Stones in dresses currently, please can we recommend that they wear shorts underneath, the leggings type shorts are perfect and ensure their privates remain private even when playing on the floor or climbing around. Thank you.

End of year

On Friday 21st July, our last day of term we will be hosting our End of Year Show and Party. You should by now know the details for the day – if you have any questions at all or need anything clarifying please don't hesitate to ask. Children can wear whatever they like, they can dress up, dress down, it is their show and party, anything goes, same as above – shorts under any dresses please.

Facebook / Google

We are so very pleased with the parent survey results, thank you for your positive feedback and kind comments. They are so great, we would love the community to hear what you think and would be really grateful if you could go onto facebook or google and give us a review, it could really make a difference for our future business. Thank you in advance.

Fundraising

Thank you for supporting our fundraising events this year our most recent have been very successful: Coffee morning with the PTA raising £82

Photo's by Lisa raising £325

Clipston Festival raising £274

Coming up is our Movie night at Brook Meadow which we did last year and highly recommend. And a new event - a Family Duck Race and Picnic. Everyone welcome, friends and family – it would be super if you can come along to enjoy them and raise a little money for Stepping Stones as well.

Full details below. No need to book, just come along on the day. Thank you in advance.

Reports

All children (apart from those who started since Easter) will have a report. The leavers will have received a transition report – thank you for returning those promptly – they have all now been sent to the relevant schools. Children staying will have a progress summary which is available on Tapestry. The team put a lot of effort into writing the reports so please do read them, add comments and sign online. As always, you can have a meeting with your key worker if you want to discuss anything, please just ask.

Term dates

Summer term second half	Monday 5 th June – Friday 21 July 2023
Summer break	Monday 24 th July – Monday 4 th September 2023
Autumn term first half	Tuesday 5 th September – Friday 20 th October
Half term break	Monday 23 rd October – Monday 30 th October 2023
Autumn term second half	Tuesday 31st October – Wednesday 20th December 2023
Christmas break	Thursday 21st December 2023 – Tuesday 2nd January 2024
Spring term first half	Wednesday 3 rd January – Friday 16 th February 2024
Spring half term	Monday 19 th February – Monday 26 th February 2024
Spring term second half	Tuesday 27 th February – Thursday 28 th March 2024
Easter break	Tuesday 2 nd April – Friday 12 th April 2024
Summer term first half	Monday 15 th April – Thursday 23 rd May 2024
Summer half term	Friday 24 th May – Friday 31 st May 2024
Summer term second half	Monday 3 rd June – Friday 19 th July 2024







