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# **Nell Gwynn Nursery School**

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#### 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we move towards the February Half-Term holiday, I wish to thank you for your engagement during this half of term, as well as the patience you showed throughout our period of closure (due to the heating issues).

## Please note the following dates for your diaries:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February (February Half-Term)

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day: Dressing up in pyjamas/nightwear for bedtime stories

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Children's last day of the term before the Easter Holidays

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Parent/Carer Conference Day More information will be coming to you about this planned event

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Holidays

Monday 15th April: Summer Term begins

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May (May Half-Term)

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Children's last day of term (Summer Holidays)

#### **Parent Governor:**

Please do hand in your nomination to become a parent governor if you are interested in this opportunity. You are welcome to speak with me regarding what being a governor involves.





## **Spring Time and Summer Time Planting and Growing:**

The staff would be grateful if anyone could donate the following to Nell Gwynn:-

- Topsoil (rich topsoil if possible)
- Compost
- Bulbs and seeds

Please let staff know if you have anything to donate. We have entered into the 'London Children's Flower Society' *Spring Bulb Competition* and the *Summer Flower and School Garden Competition* for this year.

#### **Healthy eating reminder:**

Just a gentle reminder that sweets, chocolate, biscuits and crisps for snacks before and after nursery aren't nutritionally best for children. If you do wish to give your child something to eat upon collection, then please consider a piece of fruit or carrot/cucumber sticks.

We are particularly mindful of children's allergies and food intolerances, therefore if your child is eating food on the way to nursery, then please ensure they have finished eating before they join the other children.

# Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day: Dressing up in pyjamas/nightwear for bedtime stories

The week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> March, there will be a week of focus on books, stories and early reading. We will be giving out book tokens to the children as well as other resources to promote early reading skills.

If you would like to come in to Nell Gwynn and tell/read a story in your home language, then please let a member of staff know. It's so important that reading in all its forms is valued and children gain enjoyment from hearing stories, poems and works of non-fiction. Please read to your children at home and we will always encourage you to borrow books from our lending baskets.

On behalf of the Nell Gwynn team, we wish you an enjoyable half-term. Please do let us know if you have any queries or concerns in the meantime.

Warm regards,

Pippa Baker Head of School and SENCo