



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term.

We have some lovely events coming up. Please see the list below for more information.

A few gentle reminders...

1. Please bring in named Wellie boots. We love going for muddy walks in the woods.
2. The use of mobile phones is NOT permitted within the preschool environment
3. If your child has had a bout of diarrhoea OR sickness, they must remain at home for 48 hours after their last bout.
4. We are a NUT FREE preschool, please do not use Nutella or any type of peanut or peanut product in packed lunches
5. Please LABEL your child's belongings
6. Please ensure preschool fees are paid on time
7. Please only use the disabled parking bays if you are a blue badge holder

Kind Regards, The Staff at Putnoe Woods.

## Staying for Tea?

If you need to book in for extra hours over tea time (4.30pm), You must book in by 9.30 am so we can ensure we have enough food for everyone





Forthcoming Events...

**World Book Day** - Thursday 1st March

Please come to preschool in your pyjamas and bring a teddy to join us for a bedtime story themed day!



**Easter Craft Day** Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - join your little one for some Easter crafting!

**Easter Lunch** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March

**Stay & Play** Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May

**ABC Photo's** Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

**Father's Day Breakfast** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June

Term / Holiday Dates

Second half Spring Term

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**Closed to ALL Good Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

Reopen on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018 for all year children only

**New Term stats on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**If you need additional childcare over the Easter Break please contact the office as soon as possible as space is limited.**

**Tax Free Childcare Scheme**

Did you know that you can open an online tax free childcare account which can help you with childcare costs?

For every 80p you or someone else pays in, the government will top up an extra 20p

This is equivalent of the tax most people pay - 20% - which gives the scheme its name, 'tax-free'. The government will top up the account with 20% of childcare costs up to a total of £10,000 - the equivalent of up to £2,000 support per child per year (or £4,000 for disabled children).

Please click the link for more information

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/tax-free-childcare-10-things-parents-should-know>



### Packed lunch

We continue to offer packed lunches on a prepaid basis.

Packed lunches will be £1.00 each and will contain a sandwich/ wrap/cracker, a yoghurt, a piece of fruit and a biscuit/cake. We will **NOT** tailor lunches to individual request, preferences or tastes but we will of course accommodate dietary requirements.

Please email the office or pick up an order form from the office



If your child is going to big school in September you may want to think about increasing their hours slightly in preparation for a longer day. We currently have availability in Bluebells in the afternoons. If you want to book some additional hours next term please contact the office as soon as possible.



Please try and stick to your agreed start and finish times. More and more parents are turning up very early for their sessions or picking up late. We have strict ratios we must adhere to so if you arrive early we may not be able to let you in. Arriving early or late also disrupts our sessions and you may be charged.