



Please find below lots of useful information to help you and your children be organised and make the most of their time in our year group. Please also ensure you keep checking our website, Twitter account and text messages for other updates as well as looking out for letters which may be sent home from time to time.

### How can I help my child at home?

- **Singing, action rhymes and sharing books** give children rich opportunities to understand new words.
- Ask them what they are **learning about** in pre-school.
- **Share a story** every night and talk to them about the story (this can be done in English or the home language).
- Register your child for **free books every month** from birth to 5 years of age on **Keighley's Imagination Library**.

### Cold weather reminders

Please make sure your child is wearing a thick, waterproof coat, gloves, hat and appropriate shoes, boots or wellingtons, as the weather is getting colder and wetter.

Song we are learning: **Put your coat on**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vU--JkQSmZ0>

### Snack

Children in Preschool have the opportunity to try a different snack every day. This costs £2.50 each half term or £15 for the full year. We do lots of baking using fresh ingredients, sometimes from our own allotment.

### Diary Dates

- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 NSPCC Numbers Day
- W/C 5<sup>th</sup> Children's Mental health week
- School closes 10<sup>th</sup> February - Return date 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

### Our theme for this term is **It's Cold Outside!**

We are excited to explore winter and discuss similarities and differences between it and the other seasons. Hopefully the children will learn how to look after themselves when it is cold outside i.e. warm clothes and exercise. The children will be encouraged to fasten their coats themselves and make sure to put on gloves, hat and scarf.

### Toilet Training

Toilet training your child is an essential part of their independence and well-being. The preschool team are here to help and support both you and your child to toilet your child when they are ready. Please ask a member of the team for further advice and support.

### Preschool Timings

Am 8.30-11.30  
PM 12.15-3.15

We will be closing the gates 15 minutes after the Preschool session starting time. Please make sure you are on time, otherwise you will need to report to the office. We also need you to be prompt at the end of each session. If you are running late please contact the office. If someone new is coming to collect please let us know who they are and confirm that permission has been given as we will not be able to allow them to leave. If they are unable to attend due to illness, please can you phone the school office (01535 610212).

Here are a few things you can do this Spring 1 term 2023-2024

Try joining the app

<https://bradford.50thingstodo.org/>

