**March Newsletter**

**Events and celebrations**

Ramadan – For the month of march we will be collecting tins of food, long lasting milk, cereal etc for our food bank donation. Please bring a small donation if you can (No fresh food please)

Holi – On Friday 14th March, we are asking children come in light colour clothes that you do not mind getting messy as we will be using powder paints and lots of messy play activities to celebrate.

Easter party – 10am – 12pm, we will be inviting all children to come in at this time for a family easter party. All child must attend with an adult for this. No normal nursery session on this day.

**Staff achievements**

We would like to congratulate Mayzee, Amy and Sam on completing their level 3 in childcare qualification. After nearly 2 years of very hard work they have completed and received their level 3 certificates. Well done!

**March topic**

Our topic for March is Jack and the beanstalk, the children will be learning about planting and growing. We will be planting seeds and watching them grow. We will also learn about pancake day, Ramadan, mother’s day and spring.

We are asking if all children can please bring in or send pictures of plants and gardens as part of our chatter time.

**Library**

Library books will be given out on a Friday and returned on Mondays, we have had lots of children not bringing their books back on time meaning we are unable to replace them the following week. We also ask that if you are given the monkey or teddy for the weekend this is returned on the Monday for the same reason.

**Kindness and respect towards staff**

We would like to remind all parents/families that when your child joins our setting we ask you to sign a contract, this contract includes being respectful towards our staff. All of our staff work very hard to ensure your child is getting the best from our setting, a lot of work goes on behind the scenes and even out of work hours such as training and planning activities. We understand that sometimes situations can arise that as parent’s you may find frustrating or difficult to deal with but we ask that you approach staff appropriately and speak to them respectfully and treat them with the same kindness they show yourselves and your child. Any abuse towards staff will not be tolerated.

We are fortunate that this is not a reminder we have to make often as we do have great relationships with parents/families and are mostly greeted with kindness and understanding.

**Half terms/inset days**

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| **Easter half term** | **7th April – 18th April** |
| **Easter Monday Bank Holiday** | **21st April** |
| **May bank Holiday** | **5th May** |
| **May half term** | **26th May – 30th May** |
| **Last day of term/Graduation party** | **18th July 10am – 12pm** |