

March Newsletter

Dates

Spring 2025

Tuesday 7th January - Friday 4th April (12:00pm finish)
Half Term - Thursday 13th February - Friday 21st February
Easter Holidays Monday 4th April - Tuesday 22nd April

Summer 2025

Wednesday 23rd April - Friday 18th July (12:00pm finish) Half Term - Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May

Funding codes

Please remember, it is your duty to make sure that you re-confirm your working parent codes every 3 months. If you are applying for the first time, below are the deadlines in which to do so.



Working Parents Entitlement (WPE) Codes



When can parents/carers apply?

When you would like to use your entitlements from	The deadline to apply for a code
1 January	31 December
1 April	31 March
1 September	31 August

Codes must be re-confirmed every 3 months.

Observations

We have decided that the method that we have been using for observations isn't fulfilling the requirements that we would like it to. So, going forward we will be trialling a new method, from now on the key person will be using WhatsApp to take photographs of your child and send over a note on what is happening in the photo to each individual parent. It will be more instant, more informative and more personal. This will replace the weekly photos to the whole group, other than forest school, which will still be sent as a whole. We would welcome any feedback at the end of the summer term. Please remember that the WhatsApp is only for observations, we do not use it for messages, please either send a text, call or email for all correspondence.

Mothers Day - Reminder

Mother's Day - we would like to welcome all Mummy's to come in on Friday 28th March to take part in a Mother's day brunch. Arrive at 10:30am, either with your child who does not attend or for your child who will already be in preschool.

Celebrations

Thank you to Zahra's mum and dad who came into preschool to talk to us all about Ramadan and give out some lovely festival treats. We love having parents in to share their cultural heritage, so please let us know if you would like to come in at any point.

Parent meetings / play and stay sessions

Thank you to all the parents who came to join us for our play and stay sessions. The children have loved showing you what they get up to whilst at preschool and how fun it is.

September

Please may we ask, that if your child is not going to school this September, that you let us know what days and sessions you would like as soon as possible. Please remember that all 3-year-olds need to attend a minimum of 15 hours. Places are filling up quickly and we would like to get your wishes locked in first, so please be prompt.

Illnesses

Just to let you know, we have a suspected case of chicken pox.

Best wishes

Totterdown Team

Dates for your diary

28.3.25	Mother's Day tea
24.4.25 and 28.4.25	Photographer in to take
	individual photos and a leavers
	class.