



# Flying Start Nursery And Pre-School Fairford

**February 2019 newsletter**

## **Forest school**

We have some upcoming dates booked in for forest school, these are:

14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> February  
And  
14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March

We are also waiting on confirmation for some more dates for the rest of the year. Please keep an eye on our Facebook page, emails and future news letters for this information.

## **Spare clothes**

We are running very low on spare trousers in our toddler and preschool rooms, if you have any you no longer want we are happy to take them off your hands. If you have any your child has borrowed please could you return them so we can build our stock back up again. It is always advised to bring a spare change of clothes with your child each day as they do get involved with some messy activities especially in these wet winter months playing outside.



**WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHILDREN,  
Harry, Harley, Tobi**

## **Music in development**

This week I (Janet) have been on some very thought provoking training about music and how we use it in developing our children's knowledge in all areas of the EYFS (Early years foundation stage) and I am very excited to share what came from the training.

There are lots of new ideas I have that will be implemented into our everyday planning which I am keen to share with you.

But, there are also lots of things that we do throughout the nursery with music that has such a vast coverage of the development of your children. Such as singing during French lessons as well as in English, joining the residents of the Hyperion once a month for their Music for Health sessions and enjoying the sounds of nature at forest school.

One of the points of the training was to get us to think outside the box when it comes to music in early years. When you think of music with children you probably think nursery rhymes, pop music, maybe a bit of classical/calming music. And then there are the instruments – shakers, drum, the triangle... We want to change this perception of music in early years and expand children's musical experiences.

Some ideas include heading over to the church to have a go at bell ringing – an instrument that is not commonly used in early years unless it's the age old dinner bell being rung.

We would also like to invite our musically gifted parents to come along and share your musical instruments and talents with our children. Any instrument, be it common or not so common, it would be a great musical experience to see/hear them in all their glory!

We hope to be working on this in the next few weeks so watch this space!