



# Bexton Pre-School Weekly Newsletter

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**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February:** School returns  
**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February:** Y3 Roman Day\*  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March:** Y4 & Y5 next payment (£60) due\*  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March:** Y5 to the Halle\*  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March:** Y2 Blue Planet Aquarium  
**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March:** Book Fair arrives.  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** World Book Day (whole school)  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** Year 3 Assembly 9am (all Y3 parents invited)  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** Comic Relief- wear silly socks, £1 donation  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** Whole School Open Afternoon 1.30pm  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** Red Envelope Week begins. (change of date)  
**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March:** Parents' Evening Reception to Year 6  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Year 2 Assembly 9am (all Y2 parents invited)  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March:** Y5 Easter Experience (KMC)  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** Break up for Easter  
**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April:** Children return

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April:** Quiz night/Gin tasting (Y6)  
**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May:** Y4 & Y5 Residential  
**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 5 Assembly 9am (all Y5 parents invited)  
**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May:** KS1 May Day Celebrations\*  
**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 6 SATs begin\*  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 1 Assembly (all Y1 parents invited)\*  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** FOBS BEXFEST –(ALL YEAR GROUPS)  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 6 Assembly 9am (all Y6 parents invited)  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** Break up for half term  
**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June:** INSET day (nursery and school closed)  
**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June:** Children return  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June:** Sports Day refreshments – Juniors (Y3) / Infants (Rec)  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July:** FOBS Summer Disco (Y2 organising)  
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July:** Break up for summer  
**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July:** INSET days  
 \*New date /Any FOBS events- year group organising in brackets.

**School Car Park:** This is a polite reminder to all parents that the school car park is for staff only, unless you have prior agreement from the school. The school gates are remaining closed at pick up and drop off for children's safety after a recent near miss.

**Mental Health Support and Training:** Before half term, the staff received some training from an Educational Psychologist to help them further support children with anxiety and emotional regulation challenges. Our staff are experts in this work, but it is always useful to have a reminder of why we use certain approaches. The care, attention and understanding staff show children helps to build connections and provide expert support when needed. We thought it would be beneficial for all parents to watch the [video](#) the staff watched as part of the training. It really explains the science behind our emotions.

**Funding Portal:** Please note that the funding portal is back open for us to apply for your funded sessions for the summer term. Please ensure that your code is working. Many thanks.

**World Book Day:** A reminder that we are celebrating World Book Day on Friday 8th March and that the children can dress as their favourite book character or author.

### Parent's Evening

Next week we will opening the parents' evening bookings. These will be an online meeting with your child's key worker. If you would prefer a face to face meeting please email [nursery@bexton.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:nursery@bexton.cheshire.sch.uk). You will have the opportunity to speak to Mrs Parker or Mrs Patton at the open afternoon. We will also be offering a summer parents' evening, with the teachers to discuss their school transition.

### New Rainbow Room Outdoor Provision



We have a very exciting news to share! In March, we have some building work starting to improve our existing Rainbow Room provision with an outdoor area. There will be some fencing put around the area, but the works should be completed within a couple of weeks.

### Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle

In previous newsletters, we have mentioned Squiggle but I thought I would explain a bit more about it. It is a developmental approach to early writing. It is ideally for children working in early years, but it can be used as a writing intervention with children from their earliest stages of mark making and physical development right up to Year 1. Squiggle uses neurological and physiological movements to create marks. The 'how to Squiggle' is beautiful and fun.

**Wiggle me into a Squiggler** is the first stage and is designed for the early stages of mark making and physical development used in writing.

**Squiggle Whilst you Wiggle** is the next stage in early years child development and moves on to more advanced mark making and letter formation

**Squiggle me into a Writer** is the final stage in our Squiggle Programme taking the child through cursive mark making and letter formation.

