



School Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2025



Happy Friday everyone!

This week in school, our children have enjoyed learning all about **St Patrick's Day** and celebrating with their friends. They enjoyed **making colcannon** and it tasted delicious! On Friday, we learned about our school poem and song "The Owl and the Pussycat" by the poet Edward Lear on **World Poetry Day**. Our **duckling eggs arrived** safely in school. The children were engrossed as they watched the ducklings pipping and hatching from the eggs. It was such a magical experience.

As usual, here are a few notices and reminders to keep you up to date...

NELI Preschool

Next week, children will be reading "**Franklin Frog**". We will also be watching our tadpoles grow into froglets over the coming weeks. Children will be learning about the meanings and usage of the Special Words:

- **grow**
- **jump**
- **push**
- **protect**

At home, you can support your child's learning by:

- Talking about the meaning of the Special Words;
- Finding and sorting objects into things that they can push or pull;
- Growing cress seeds or carrot tops and talking about the changes they observe;
- Talking about how they have grown from being a new born baby.

Further information for supporting your child's learning at home is on our **school website**. Scroll down to the bottom of the main page, click on the tile that says NELI Preschool and find the PDF file named 'Franklin Frog'.

Mothers' Day Class Assemblies

Our children would love to sing their Mothers' Day songs to their mums, nans and grandmas on **Friday 28th March**. Please come along for a coffee and a biscuit before the children sing their beautiful songs.

Timings are as follows:

Birch Class	9:00am (coffee from 8.30am)
Hazel Class	10:30am (coffee from 10am)
Nurture Base Stay and Play	10:30am (coffee from 10am)
Rowan Class	2:00pm (coffee from 1:30pm)

Winter coats

Please continue to ensure your child has **a nice warm coat with a hood for school for a few more weeks yet**. **Gloves are not suitable** for school as they become damp and wet outside as children play and learn.

New Starter Parent Meetings

If your child started school with us in January, your child's class teacher **will contact you by telephone** over the coming fortnight to discuss how your child has settled into school. There is no need to make an appointment. Our teachers will leave a message to call back if you are not available.



Attendance and Timekeeping

If your child is too poorly sick to come to school, the very best place for them is at home resting. This allows them to make a swift recovery and prevents the spread of illness to other children.

Please ring the school office and let Joanne Jones know that they won't be in **on the first day of absence**. As a maintained nursery school, we follow the safeguarding procedures and policies of Liverpool City Council. **Any unexplained absence will be followed up as a safeguarding concern.**

Names on all belongings / lost property basket

Please put your child's name or initials inside both of their shoes. Many children cannot identify what their own shoes look like and this gives our staff at least half a chance of matching the correct shoes to the correct child.

Donations welcome...

We would be grateful for donations of any of the following items to develop our outdoor play areas:

- ✓ **Metals pots and pans**
- ✓ **Wooden spoons**
- ✓ **Unused CD's**
- ✓ **DIY paint rollers and paint brushes**
- ✓ **Chamois leather cloths**
- ✓ **Offcuts of wood for our woodwork workshop**

Many thanks in advance for your support.

Graduation for the Class of 2025

This year's Graduation will take place on **Thursday 17th July**. For our children in Nurture Base, the end of year celebration event will be on **Wednesday 16th July**. I will share further details about these arrangements closer to the time, but please save the date!

Dates for your diary

Friday 28th March
Monday 31st March
Friday 4th April

Mothers' Day Assemblies (see times above)
Acorn Animal Farm visit (on school site)
Children break up for Easter holidays at 11.30am

- **All children attend school 8.30am – 11.30am**
- **No Lunch Club or After School Club**

Tuesday 22nd April

Children return to school (normal times)

If you have any issues at all, please do not hesitate to speak to me on the school gate in the morning. I will always listen and endeavour to do my best to help.

Should you wish to speak with me confidentially, please ring the school office to arrange a telephone appointment or you can drop me an email me at ht@eastprescotroadnursery.co.uk

With warmest wishes,

Mr Craig Bolton
Headteacher

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