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Dear families,

Happy Friday everyone! We've had another fabulous week of learning! This week was Mental Health Awareness Week and we have been thinking of how being physically active contributes to good mental health and develop our mindfulness. We are always learning actively in nursery school, through lots of indoor and outdoor activities.

It was lovely to see so many grown-ups coming along for our Stay and Play sessions and getting involved in our annual EPR tradition of Maypole dancing. We hope you enjoyed the experience and look forward to seeing you at more stay and play events later this year.

A few notices this week to keep you all updated...

Sun Hats

Children **require a sun hat** in school. Please make sure your child's sun hat is labelled clearly with their name. We advise that children leave a sun hats in school rather than taking them home at the end of the day.

Sun Screen/ Sun Cream

Please apply sun cream to exposed areas of children's skin **before they come to school**, especially arms, legs and faces. In very sunny weather, staff will support children to apply sun cream throughout the day to keep protection levels topped up. School provides hypoallergenic sun cream. If your child is allergic to sun cream, please inform your child's class teacher.

Attendance and Safeguarding

Please **telephone Joanne Jones** in the school office **by 9am** if your child will be absent from school. If we do not hear from you or if we do not have a reason for a child's absence recorded in our system, it is now standard procedure in schools that unexplained absences are followed up as a **safeguarding concern**. Please do ensure that you ring school as soon as you know that your child will be absent for any reason.

30 hour codes

Please keep on top of your 30 hour codes as some of these are flagging up as needing to be renewed. If your child is entitled to 30 hours, please ensure that you **regularly renew your code** to ensure they can keep their funded place with us.

Little Owl's Lending Library

A reminder that books are to be returned to our lending library on **Wednesdays**.

After School Club closure

After school club will be closed for staff development on **Wednesday 22nd May**.



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Invoices

These should be with you all this week. As provision is paid for in advance, this invoice will **include the charges for April and May**. Thank you once again for your patience while we have worked to resolve this matter.

Names on belongings

Please label all of your child's belongings with their name. This includes coats, fleeces, jogging bottoms, lunch bags and so on. Please check these items regularly as names get rubbed off over time. Staff are not be able to assist in finding any missing items that are not labelled.

Footwear

May I stress the importance of children wearing appropriate footwear for school. Children are running, climbing and being very adventurous on a daily basis. Trainers and pumps are ideal for the summer months. Jelly shoes and sandals do not provide enough protection and result in children tripping and falling over.

School places available for September start

We have a few remaining school places still available for the new school year. We would be grateful if you could please recommend EPR to family, friends, neighbours and anyone who has a child who is already 3 or will be turning 3 soon.

Transition to Primary school workshops

I am sending home another letter with information about a programme of transition workshops for parents. In previous year, parents have found these sessions incredibly informative. **If your child leaves us at the end of the year** for primary school and you wish to attend these sessions, please return the reply slip as soon as possible.

Windmill Farm – Wednesday 19th June

I will send out a letter early next week with further details about our end of year trip to Windmill Farm.

Dates for Your Diary:

Wednesday 22nd May	After school club closed for staff development (change from earlier advertised date of 15th May)
Friday 24th May	Children break up for half term (normal times)
Monday 3rd June	Children return to school at normal times
Wednesday 19 th June	School trip to Windmill Farm (details to follow)
Friday 19th July	Graduation Day (last day of the school year)

Wishing you all a happy weekend.

With warmest wishes,

Mr Craig A Bolton
Headteacher



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