



**Bents Farm Day Nursery  
April 2022**

**PLEASE do not bring your child to nursery if they have had any Un-prescribed medication INCLUDING (CALPOL)**

**Topic** – Our topic for May is ‘Spring’ and the country for May is ‘India’.

**Child numbers** – Have continued to rise again this month and we would like to express a warm welcome to all of you.

**This month in preschool** – We have been looking at the potato, what we can do with it and the different ways we can eat it.

There is a list up in preschool of the schools our leavers will be attending.

Please only bring to preschool what is on your show and tell slip and it must fit in your show and tell box.

**This month in nursery** – We have watched baby goats being born!

**This month in babies** – We have been enjoying our new outdoor area.  
Could we please remind parents to bring in sun cream.

**Safety Gates** – Please can parents remember to close each gate they go through as little children may escape onto the stairs. Thank you.

**Photo** – Children who are leaving for school have had their group photo taken and can now order prints.

**Easter party** – Easter competitions were won by Henry Fradgely, Betsy Summers and Milo Patrick, well done everyone who took part.

**Easter Holidays** - Some children just turned up over the Easter holidays and expected to attend. If you have not pre-booked there may not be enough room or staff for your child to attend.

**May Holidays** – If your child is funded and you would like to book any days in the week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> May please let me know as soon as possible.

**Bank holidays** - We are closed 2<sup>nd</sup> May

**Swapping days** – As numbers of children continue to increase we cannot always swap your days if your child has been ill. Parents who work shifts and have pre booked arrangements for swapping days are fine it is the short notice ones we cannot always accommodate.

I know many of you email me at the weekend for day swaps – I don't always have time to check these so do not take it for granted you can swap, I will get back to you if I can but I do like to have a little time away from the computer!

**Funded swaps** - Funded hours can only be swapped if you are swapping a full session and we have room/staff. ie If your child attends 9.30 to 3.30 and you want to swap this to a different day that week and we have room/staff this is ok.

You cannot come in late at 11.30 and leave your child until 5.30 as I have not allocated staff for this. You also cannot come in late at 11.30 and expect to tag the two hours onto another day again I have not allocated staff for this.

**New staff** – As a consequence of the high spring intake you will see some new staff in every room.

**Close door** – Please remember to close the main door as you go out as not everyone who comes to the door is permitted entry.

**Changes** – Please inform us of your new address or phone number if your details change.

**Buy or sell** – If you have any items you would like to buy or sell or things of interest to other parents please let us know and we will put your details on the newsletter at the end of each month.

**Trades/Services** – If you would like to inform other parents of your trade/service let us know your details and we will put it in the newsletter. Supporting our local businesses.

**Paediatric First Aid Courses** – As emailed previously we received a bundle of paediatric first aid refresher courses to do online. We have got 66 left to use so if you would like one please email us and let us know and we will forward one across to you.

**Facebook** – We have regular updates and pictures on our page so please give us a “Like” if you haven’t already and if you want to “share” our page that would be great!!!!

**Julie, Steven & the team.**

### **Useful Information**

**Website** – You may find [www.childcarechoices.co.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.co.uk) useful for government information about Tax-Free Childcare, 2 and 3 year old funding and the 30hours funding

**Useful websites** – Two new websites to help parents keep children happy, healthy and safe with useful tips on: - Teething, sleeping, eating, behaviour, school readiness etc.

[www.home-start.org.uk](http://www.home-start.org.uk)

[www.healthyearlyyears.co.uk](http://www.healthyearlyyears.co.uk)