# MOSS HALL NURSERY SCHOOL

# MARCH NEWSLETTER

## **Farewell to Larissa**

We will be saying goodbye to Larissa, Green Class teacher, at the end of term as she and her family will be moving to America.

She has been a teacher at Moss Hall Nursery for more than 13 years and she will be greatly missed.

We wish her and her family much happiness.

#### Woodwork

Staff enjoyed a very interesting training session on Monday. You can see photos and examples of our work on display just outside Green Class.

You can help us to provide exciting opportunities for all children by bring in bottle tops (plastic or metal), corks and buttons.

We would also welcome any wood offcuts from parents who work in carpentry or building.

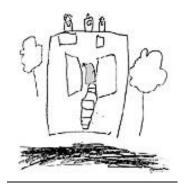
Please speak to staff if you have anything that you think may be useful for us or if you would like to come in and help children with their wood work.

## **Dementia Friends**

You have already received information about a Dementia Friends Talk, which will be led by Maria, one of our nursery nurses who is also a Dementia Friend. Please sign the sheet in the hall if you would like to attend one of the talks.

There will also be a walk to raise awareness of dementia and to raise funds for the Alzheimers Society on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm.

These activities complement some of the other projects we are developing around intergenerational work, including Elaine's weekly visits to a local care home and a



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

# Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

World Book Day 7.30 pm

# Friday 8th March

Family learning workshop - Reading

# Friday 15th March

**Red Nose Day** 

# Friday 29th March

1.30pm Spring Memory walk (raising money for the Alzheimers society)

# Friday 5th April

Last Day of term.

# Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Easter holiday - school will be closed

# Tuesday 23rd April

Staff training day – school will be closed.

Term dates for 2019/2020 are attached to this newsletter and are available on the website.

planned "Bring your grandparent to nursery" day (more details will follow soon).

## **World Book Day**

We hope that you can help us celebrate the joy of books and reading on Thursday. You have already received an email with more information about this day. Please speak to your child's key person if you would like to come in and read/tell a story. We have many languages spoken in our community and would love it if parents would read books in their home language too.

All children will get a £1.00 book token on that day. This can be used to buy a book from Scholastic Book Club. These books are available at reduced prices and if parents buy books the school gets some books free. Please bring your completed order form to the office by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Payment must be made by cheque or credit/debit card. We cannot accept cash.

## Time keeping

A number of children are still arriving at school late. Arrival times in the morning and afternoon are staggered (8.45 - 9.05 and 12.45 - 1.00) to support families who have more than one child to take to school. If children arrive after these times it means that they are missing out on learning opportunities and they can find it harder to settle or to join in play that has already started.

If you arrive after the door has closed you must go to the office to register your child.

The class teachers (**Larissa**, **Subpreet and Cindy**) are responsible for marking the attendance registers every session. When you bring your child in the morning or afternoon please bring them right into the classroom and make sure that the teacher has seen them. It is essential that we have an accurate record of which children are here at all times.

#### **Volunteers and Students**

From 11<sup>th</sup> March – 22<sup>nd</sup> March we will have a teaching student, Henry, from UCL doing a 2 week placement in Blue Class.

If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering please come and speak to Annette

# **Keeping Children Safe**

Please ensure that you are supervising older and younger siblings at arrival and departure times.

Older siblings must not climb on the climbing frame or trees or play with balls in the front garden.

Parents and children must not enter or leave the school through the staff car park, unless the parent or child is disabled.

Please ensure that you shut the gate behind you.

Thank you for your cooperation.