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WELCOME

Dear Parent/Carers,

Happy New Year! Thank you very much from the team for your kind wishes, cards and gifts at the end of term. We hope you had a magical Christmas with your families, it does seem a distant memory now!

Please welcome four new children and their families Esther, James, Hunter and Jarvis. We hope you have a fun and happy journey with us.

PARENT ZOOM CALLS

We will be holding parent zoom calls between 1st March and 14th March. You will receive an email detailing a date and time to chat with your child's key person. There will be opportunities to discuss your child's strengths and interests and how we support their learning. We will be happy to answer any questions and discuss how we can support you with their learning at home. We will also provide you with a summary of their development via email prior to the meeting.

YOUR CHILD'S VOICE

An important element of communication that encourages the child's voice is **active listening**.

Our staff team engage in active listening to show children they care and are interested in them. It is an important way for our team to understand how

children think and what they like. Equally, active listening enables children to trust and feel understood.

It would be amazing if you could support your child to answer a few questions about preschool using emoji's and words. You will receive a feedback form very soon.



COMMITTEE UPDATE and MEETING

At our AGM we welcomed Lucy Whitelaw (Arthur's mummy) who has become a trustee and Treasurer, we hope she finds it very rewarding, informative and fun! We said goodbye to Laura Davies and Emma Jones and thanked them for their long service with us.

We are still looking for general members, please email me on manager@horringerpreschool.co.uk if you are interested 😊 Our next committee meeting is 26th January at 7.30pm at preschool, please let me know if you would like to attend.

BAD WEATHER CLOSURE PROCEDURE

In the instance of snowy weather, we may need to close Horringer Preschool. If your child is due to attend that day, before leaving home, either check your emails, our private Facebook page or our website to find out if we are open or closed.



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LUNCH CLUB



Horringer Pre-school has a healthy eating policy and is a **NUT FREE** setting. **WATER** only in named bottles please.

Please keep it simple, children can get overwhelmed with a lot of food in their lunch box. If packing yoghurts please also pack a spoon.



OUTDOOR PLAY

It would be very useful if your child has **named** coats, wellies and waterproof clothing kept at preschool for outdoor play.



UNIFORM

Uniform is optional. The following uniform is available for purchase:

T-shirts	£5.80 each
Sweatshirts	£9.60 each
Sun hat	£5.00 each

Second hand: Sweatshirt £2.00 T-shirt £1.50

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THE CURRICULUM

Staff will repeat simple concepts in a range of ways to consolidate the children's understanding. This will be done in groups and one to one.

The power of Repetition: Repeat experiences to give children a new level of understanding each time.

Young children are surrounded by things they don't understand, so it makes sense that children in their early years search for understanding and predictability.

Repetition is valuable because each time they experience something the knowledge becomes more secure and their feeling of self-worth increases.

After mastering basic activities, try advanced versions to add some challenge. If your child really enjoys an activity, let him repeat it multiple times. Repetition is the key to learning.



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OUR CURRICULM FOCUSES

Repeating stories and rhymes to help children develop their rhyme and alliteration skills.

Using pre-positions in play such as under, over, on top, behind, in front, next to.....

Many of the instructions we give to children as part of our daily routines or during activities rely heavily on the use of prepositions. If children do not have the understanding of such words as 'on' and 'in' they will find it very difficult to make sense of what they are being asked to do or what is expected of them.

We will look at objects around us and our senses and wonder "What do we use this for...?"

Encouraging active listening and communication skills. [The Raising Children Network](#) provides some excellent tips on how to engage and demonstrate active listening with children.

Cultural Awareness We will explore the year of the rabbit within Chinese New Year. We will observe traditions, tell the story, sample foods and try out some dragon dancing! Your children can watch the story on <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories/lets-celebrate-chinesenewyearperformance>



Join our social media community at our **Private** Horringer Preschool Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/159819637444068> Or follow our public Instagram Page #horringerpreschool

TERM DATES

Spring Term 2023

PD Day: Tuesday 3rd January 2023 Children Return to School: Wednesday 4th January 2023 HALF TERM: 13th February to 17th February 2023 Last day: Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 2023

PD Day: Monday 17th April 2023 Children return to school: Tuesday 18th April 2023 Bank Holiday closure Monday 1st May 2023 PD Day Friday 26th May 2023 HALF TERM: 29th May to 2nd June 2023 Last day: Friday 21st July 2023

Stephie HORRINGER PRE-SCHOOL LEADER