

# **Nottingham Nursery School Newsletter**

May 2016



# Happy Birthday Your Majesty!

We had a fantastic time celebrating the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Her Majesty (aka Mrs Greenwood!) came to visit and talked to the

children all about her royal duties. The children and staff enjoyed a royal birthday tea instead of their usual school dinner; they especially loved the jelly and ice cream!





#### Librarian Visit

We were very lucky to have our local librarian visiting us at the start of May. She brought three lovely books with her and the children listened to all the stories

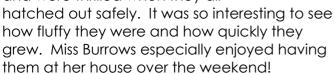
and voted for their favourite, which was 'Please Mister Panda'.

## **South East Asia Day**

The children and parents very much enjoyed celebrating South East Asia day. We had some fantastic dancing in the hall and enjoyed lots of different foods from the region during the day. Thanks to all the parents who came along and joined in!

#### The chicks have hatched

We were very excited when the eggs in the incubator arrived from White Post Farm. We looked after them very carefully and were thrilled when they all



# **Phonics & Reading for parents**



Mrs Greenwood ran a very successful session for parents in our training room. It was all about phonics – how we teach it in school and how parents can help

at home. It was very well attended, which was brilliant and lots of parents said how helpful and interesting they found it. We are hoping to repeat the session towards the end of the day for parents who were not able to make it. More details to follow.

#### **Forest Garden**

The Forest Garden's looking wonderful at the moment, now that summer is approaching. Our woodsman, Richard, has been in replacing some of the



logs and maintaining the pathways and the children have been enjoying making toast over the open fire, and spreading it with oodles of butter and jam! Yum yum!!

#### **Teeny Tappers**

Our new teeny tappers group is going very well. Over 20 children have signed up from the N2 year group and Mrs Greenwood reports that they



are 'naturals'! If your child is in the group, please remember to bring your £1 in advance of the lesson and pay at reception.

### **Admission to Reception**

Please be aware that if your child will be four years old before September 1<sup>st</sup>, you should have applied for and been offered a place at school to start in September. If you have not, please be sure to make a late application; we can help you with this if you ask at reception.

## **Goodbye Peppa**

It is with some sadness that we have had to say goodbye to our beloved Peppa, who has been with us for about six years. She suffered a short illness



which was not eased with treatment. The children drew pictures, sang songs and had a special ceremony where thy laid flowers to say goodbye to her.

#### Welcome to Deefa and Rosie

We had such a fun day when Mrs Butterworth's dogs came to visit. We learned all about what

dogs like and how to look after them. We even had chance to go on the field and play with them and practice taking them for 'walkies!'



### White Post Farm Animal Magic!



Staff from White Post farm visited with lots of different creatures for the children to hold and touch. There were lots of cute baby rabbits, guinea-pigs, hamsters, mice

and ducklings as well as all sorts of chickens. And, for the bravest of the children there was even a snake, giant snails and a big hairy tarantula!! Woww!!

#### **Summer Fayre**

We are having a **Summer Fayre** this year, to raise funds for school to re-furbish our allotment

area, which is looking a bit tired and run-down. It will be on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm** and should be lots of fun! If you would like to get involved, please let staff on reception know; there are



lots of different ways to help. There is also a table in reception, where you can leave any donations of second hand toys / bric-a-brac or donated prizes for a chocolate tombola or raffle.

## Dates for your diary

Far East & Asia Day 20 May
African Caribbean Day 10 June
Summer Fayre 13 July
Half Term (school closed) 28 May- 5 June













