



Mon 15th March 21

Number 9

Stepping Stones at Elburton



A message from the Stepping Stones Team... Spring is coming.....hooray!

We hope you are all keeping well. Thank you for continuing to adhere to the safety guidelines that have been put in place. It is so important that we all work together to keep everyone safe. As you will know, our staff are continuing to be tested twice weekly with Lateral Flow Tests, and so far there have been no positive results which is fantastic.

CONGRATULATIONS to Keith Smithers for being offered the Head Teacher's Post. We are thrilled to share that he has accepted the position. Brilliant News!



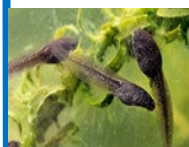
We are pleased to update you on our garden renovations.

As you were aware the garden crew came in at half term and did the bulk of the landscaping and fencing for our two main areas, namely the Bike Area and the Construction Area. They are presently awaiting some of the brilliant new equipment to arrive, and that will soon be in place ready for a fabulous Summer of fun and learning. We can't wait!!



You may not believe your eyes, but we have an elephant on our patio at present!! **Elmer** is visiting. The children just love those stories!! Some of the children remember searching in Plymouth for the Elmers on the "Elmer Trail" the summer before last. It was lovely to have him visit in conjunction with World Book Day.

Tadpoles and Caterpillars



We were very pleased to welcome some other little creatures this week. We have some tadpoles for the children to watch and study. We also have caterpillars which we can learn about their lifecycle and how they turn into butterflies. These will then be released into the new garden area in a few weeks time.



Primary School Admissions. If your child is due to start school this coming September, you should have already applied for your Child's primary school place with the Local Authority. On Friday 16th April, you should get email notification of your allocated child's school place. Please let us know when you receive this information, and let us know which school your child will be attending so that we are able to do the school transfer documentation.

Wants: If anyone has any good conditioned trikes for our new outside road track that are no longer needed, we would be very appreciative. Also, we are still in need of any hard bodied dolls. These will be good in our home corner and we will be able to be sanitized easily each day. We are also short of little cars for our garage and road for small world play. Thank you.



The Stepping Stones Team are working incredibly hard to keep things as normal as can be at this time and strive to enhance every child's learning experience each day.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SHUT THE BLUE GATE ON ENTERING/EXITING – PRESCHOOL ..THANKYOU.

2020-2021

22-02-2021 - 01-04-2021
20-04-2021 - 28-05-2021
07-06-2021 - 20-07-2021
03-05-2021 May Bank Holiday

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06-09-2021 - 22-10-2021
01-11-2021 - 17-12-2021
06-01-2022 - 18-02-2022
28-02-2022 - 08-04-2022
26-04-2022 - 27-05-2022
06-06-2022 - 22-07-2022
02-05-2022 May Bank Holiday

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Dates for your diary

Comic Relief - Friday 19th March – "Superheroes" See letter to parents via Parentpay for details.

Easter Hunt/Challenge

Easter Hunt Challenge for the Easter holidays. Details will come out from the PTA prior to the event.

Please note. Preschool Closes at 3:30. Late collections will incur a 'Late pick up' charge.