

## Stepping Stones at Elburton







Number 8

A message from the Stepping Stones Team... Happy New Year.

Welcome back to Stepping Stones to all our families, whether in attendance or at home. We hope you are all 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 now tested twice weekly with Lateral Flow Tests, and so far there have been no positive results which is fantastic.

**Garden Renovations**: We have great news about our planned garden renovations!! Work is being started in the half term break. We have waited so long for this, and are thrilled that it is finally happening. It has taken many years of fundraising events for this to come to fruition. We were also lucky enough to be awarded funds from the Coop Community Grant last year towards the project for which we are very grateful.

**Half Term.** Guidance released from the DofE has stated that all schools will be closed as usual over the half term break.

Packed Lunches: Please can you make sure that you do not overfill your child's lunch box. It should contain (for example) a sandwich (or savoury item), a yoghurt and a piece of fruit. The children only have half an hour down at the school to eat their lunch. Remember that we also provide a healthy snack in the morning and the afternoon sessions. It is vitally important during the pandemic that your child's snack boxes and water bottles are named clearly to avoid contamination. Thanks.

**Clothes**: Once again, please make sure all clothes are named. Really important during these times.

**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 offcuts of guttering tubes or the like, please could we have them for our garden.

Also, if anyone has any hard bodied dolls, please could we have them.

These will be good in our home corner and we will be able to be sanitize easily each day. 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 ..THANKS

## 2020-2021

05-01-2021 - 12-02-2021 22-02-2021 - 01-04-2021 20-04-2021 - 28-05-2021 07-06-2021 - 20-07-2021

03-05-2021 May Bank Holiday

## 2021-2022

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

World Book Day: Thursday 4th March Details to follow.

**Comic Relief** - Friday 19th March– Details to follow.

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

