



Pre-School Newsletter April 2018

Welcome back and we hope you all had a lovely Easter break. A huge thank you to a couple of our committee members Mike and Tom who successfully removed the climbing frame from our front garden over the holidays. Thank you also to Elsevier which is a local business in Kidlington that once again sent us a team of volunteers. They did a fantastic job of painting the entire building on the outside which was not an easy job to do especially in the rain!

The weather is warming up (we hope!) so a reminder please, all children must come into WUFA wearing sun cream and a clearly labelled hat, we do provide sun cream however if your child has sensitive skin or known allergies please provide your own appropriate cream (Clearly labelled). For those children that come to us from Nursery we will re-apply sun cream after lunch. Some children go straight on to Nursery from our morning session it may be worth mentioning to Nursery direct if you would like Nursery to re apply when they arrive.

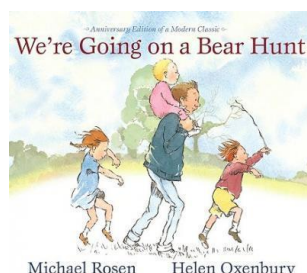
School Place Allocations - April 16th 2018

Please let WUFA know when you have received your Childs place at Primary School and which school? Moving from a setting to Primary School can be daunting and our aim is to make this "Transition" as smooth as possible. There are lots of tools that we can use such as photo albums of Schools, uniform, photos of teachers, books about moving to Primary School. We will also invite your Childs new teacher to come and visit us.

Individual Learning, Home learning, Interests and WOW moments

Summer term focus is "The Great Outdoors". This is a wide theme and can go off in lots of different and exciting areas of learning. We will be setting up WUFA Garden Centre outside and planting Sunflowers, cress and beans. The sunflowers will stay here for a few weeks and then they will be coming home. We will be asking you to plant and care for them and send us regular updates. If you do not have an outdoor area this is absolutely fine we can plant them here instead.

Our first focus story is " We are going on a bear hunt"



Fundraising and Dates for your diary:

April	
16th April	School allocations are emailed/posted out, please let us know as soon as possible!
Wednesday 25th April 7 - 9pm	Health & Pamper night, hosted by Joanne Manners. Information below:
May	
Sat 5th May 11 - 1pm	WUFA Community fun day! Information below:



FOREVER

JOANNE MANNERS WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO A

HEALTH & PAMPER NIGHT

Treat yourself to an evening of pampering - relax, unwind, and enjoy -
A fabulous pamper experience
Aloe Vera product demonstration
Energy healing
Massage
Beauty treatment tasters including: manicure, pedicure and eyebrows

£5 per ticket in advance or £6 on the door!

WEDNESDAY 25 APRIL 7-9 PM
Wufa building, Recreation Road, Woodstock

For ticket sales and more information contact Joanne Manners on 07814 395 586*

*All ticket sales go to WUFA Registered charity no: 1174017



WUFA COMMUNITY FUN DAY

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF PRE-SCHOOL

Saturday 5th May 11-1

Opens at 11 with a talk from the Mayor of Woodstock who was one of our original founders in 1987. All ages very welcome!

FREE ENTRY

Refreshments, hot food & cakes
Face painting
Craft stalls
Flowers
Twistina the amazing balloon lady
And more...

Come along and join us @ WUFA
Recreation Road, Woodstock
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Committee News

We have another new member to welcome this month, Mike Ferens has joined the committee as our new treasurer. Mike has also been very busy along with Tom Richards removing the climbing frame over the Easter holidays. I am sure you will agree they have done a great job and it adds so much space to our outside play area. We are looking forward our Community Fun Day on Saturday 5th May 11 - 1. Nadine has been working very closely with Kate and June pulling the event together and we can't wait for you to come along a support us along with friends and family. We are hoping to raise funds for some exciting new garden equipment. Our next committee meeting is being held on Monday 23rd April, if you would like to join us on the committee please let a member of staff know and one of us will be in touch.

Important information from the Oxfordshire County Council Funding team:

Early Years Pupil Premium

WUFA may be able to claim up to £300 per year of funding to support your 3 or 4 year old's development, learning and care. To find out if you are eligible please follow this link:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/early-years-pupil-premium-information-parents>

Free Early Education for 2 Year Olds

WUFA may also be able to claim funding if your child is 2 years old if you require any help with this please call/email the office.

<http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/twoyearoldfunding>

30 hours free childcare

Working parents may be eligible for an extra 15 hours childcare a week from September 2017. All 3 to 4-year-olds in England are entitled to 15 hours a week, or 570 hours a year of free early education.

Families where both parents/carers are working (or one if a lone parent) and earn at least the equivalent of minimum wage for 16 hours a week but under £100,000 per year may be eligible for 30 hours (from September 2017).

Please be aware that the entitlement to a free place does not offer a guarantee of a place at any one provider or a particular pattern of provision.

Check if you are eligible and sign up to 30 hours childcare and/or tax free childcare:

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>



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