



# Bexton Pre-School Weekly Newsletter

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**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January:** Year 5 Chemistry Day (in school)\*

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**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February:** Children's Mental Health Week\*

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February:** Year 4 Assembly 9am (all Y4 parents invited)

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February:** Year 1 walk into Knutsford\*

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February:** FOBS Bingo (Y4)

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February:** Mother Languages Day (KS2)\*

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February:** Break up for half term

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February:** School returns

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March:** Y2 Blue Planet Aquarium\*

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** Y3 Assembly (all Y3 parents invited)\*

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> –Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** FOBS Red Envelope Week (Y3)

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** Whole School Open Afternoon 1.30pm

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March:** Parents' Evening Reception to Year 6

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Year 2 Assembly 9am (all Y2 parents invited)

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March:** Y5 Easter Experience

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** Break up for Easter

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April:** Children return

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April:** Quiz night/Gin tasting (Y6)

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May:** Y4 & Y5 Residential\*

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 5 Assembly 9am (all Y5 parents invited)\*

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** FOBS BEXFEST (ALL YEAR GROUPS)

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 6 Assembly 9am (all Y6 parents invited)\*

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** Break up for half term

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June:** INSET day (nursery and school closed)

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June:** Children return

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June:** Sports Day refreshments – Juniors (Y3) / Infants (Rec)

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July:** FOBS Summer Disco (Y2 organising)

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July:** Break up for summer

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July:** INSET days

\*New date /Any FOBS events- year group organising in brackets.

**Need to Know** Please read the information in the blue section carefully as it contains important information relevant to all parents.

**Keeping Warm Outside:** Please make sure your child has a warm coat, hat and gloves to keep them warm whilst they play outside.

**Donations:** Our after-school club are looking for any barbies or superhero toys. Many thanks.

## Cygnets 1 News

Last week we had a lovely time playing in the snow. We also did some lovely paintings which you will soon be able to see on the display in our room. We enjoyed lots of sensory play last week too including porridge and ice. This week we are going to read the story of the Gingerbread man. We are even going to make our own gingerbread man!



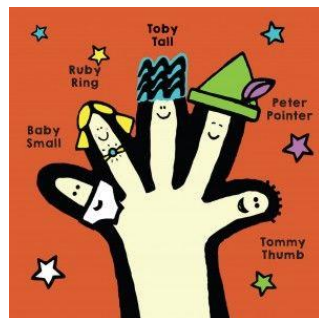
## Cygnets 2 News

Last week our sessions were full of ice and snow play, baking and lots of crafts. This week we are going to learn more about 'winter' and going to be going on some wintery walks. We are also going to be starting dough disco which will help make our fingers and hands super strong. Below is a recipe for playdough which you might enjoy making with your little one.



## What is Dough Disco?

Dough Disco is a fine muscle exercise that was devised by a lady called Shonette and a group of neuro-developmental practitioners studying child development. She found that fingers are one of the last things that the brain controls during child development. Strong muscles in our hands help up to write effectively and will also help with fine and gross motor skills. For more information watch these links on [You Tube](#).



## Swans News

The swans have had an amazing week learning more about dinosaurs. They have done some lovely craft activities and have made their own fossils. This week we will be learning about transport. We will be playing the traffic light game, doing some big art with cars and in maths we will be looking at capacity.



## Playdough recipe

Playdough is super easy to make you could try and make some at home and have your own Dough Disco! We promise it is lots of fun!

Mix the ingredients well in a bowl then transfer to a pan and cook over a low heat until a dough begins to form. Once fully cooked take it off the heat and leave to cool, once cool knead the dough to make it soft.

Please share your pictures with us on Tapestry!

## Ingredients

- 1tbs vegetable oil
- 1 cup water
- Food colouring
- 1 cup flour
- 2tbs cream of tartar
- ½ cup salt

