

# Stoneygate Nursery School



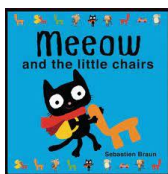
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Spring Newsletter 4

**British Summer Time** will soon be here, as we see the clocks jump forward an hour on Sunday...finally! We have had another busy couple of weeks here at Stoneygate and have been making the most of the sunshine when it has appeared. We have enjoyed lots of outdoor play and have also enjoyed bug hunting in the Forest School area... lovely!

## Dates for the Diary

British Summer Time begins:	Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> March
Easter Stay and Play session:	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 10–11am and 2–3pm
Parent Progress Meetings:	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 10–11am and 2–3pm (more details below)
Spring Term holiday closure:	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 3.30pm
Nursery re-opens Summer Term:	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April

**Story Corner** Our Little Gems have been reading the text 'Meeow and the Little Chairs' and learning the words to the nursery rhyme 'Two Little Dicky Birds'. Next week, the children will be exploring the adventures of 'Spots first Easter'. In Jewels classroom, the children have really enjoyed reading the story of 'Hansel and Gretel' and have been taking part in lots of fun activities based around this text. Scan the links below to be taken directly to the resources to enjoy at home.



Meeow and the Little Chairs



Two Little Dicky Birds



Hansel and Gretel



## Forest School Fun...



The children have loved being able to use our fantastic Forest School area this week! As well as developing their gross motor skills to help the Teachers 'spruce up' the area for Spring, the children have enjoyed hunting for bugs, bird watching, bunting and bird-feeder making and using their creating their very own clay faces. You might also spot lots of shiny 'word' decorations hanging from the tree; take a peak next time you walk past!

If you think you may have anything unwanted at home that may enhance our Forest School Area, then please just mention this to a member of staff as we are always on the hunt to add to our resources! Thank you!



The new Walk and Talk activity 'On the way to...' is here! Scan the QR codes below to be taken directly to the activity card or the bingo game.

Talk to your child on the way to 'wherever' about where you are going and what you might be doing once you get there. What do you pass on the way? Point out anything different...bin lorries, delivery vans, roadworks, spring flowers, a skip on a driveway...

Can you spot a bird? Bench? Lawn mower? Zebra crossing? Dog? Stop sign?

Remember, all the activity cards are available in Bengali, Gujarati, Urdu, Polish and Ukrainian; let us know if you would like a copy!



On the way to... activity



On the Way to... bingo

## Easter Stay and Play/ Parent Meetings

Just a reminder that next Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March is our Easter Stay and Play session. Do try and join us if you can; the sessions are really lovely and the children really enjoy sharing their learning with you! Lots of fun, crafty activities have been planned so please feel free to pop in to one of the sessions!

We are also offering Parent Meetings during these sessions, for anyone who would like an update on their child's progress or to discuss any general queries. Please do use this opportunity to have a chat with your child's classroom teacher/leader.



## Stay and Play

A group for under-fives, providing positive activities for you and your child to do together, supporting their early development and experiences. It's also a good opportunity for you and your child to make new friends. Parents, grandparents and carers welcome.

**Mondays  
13:00-14:00**

**The Foxton Centre,  
Off Knowsley Street,  
Avenham Lane,  
Preston.  
PR1 3SA**



## Ramadan Mubarak...



...to all of our families and our Staff who will be observing this special holy month!

A polite reminder... If your child is unwell, please keep them away from their nursery sessions until they have recovered. Your child needs to be alert and in good health to be able to fully engage in their learning, which they cannot do when under the weather. Keeping them at home also helps us combat spreading infections. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this!

## Happy Easter!

May we also take this opportunity to wish all of our families a lovely, fun-filled Easter break! There are lots of fantastic family activities going on around the Preston area over the school holidays, including the traditional Avenham Park Egg Rolling, which promises to be more eggciting than ever! Why not check it out:

<https://www.visitpreston.com/article/2820/Egg-Rolling>



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