

Dear Parents.

Tapestry and IT issues

We are having some IT issues at Ladybirds at present which means we cannot easily upload to Tapestry or respond to emails during working hours. We thought the issue would be fixed in week 1 and subsequent weeks, but, as we enter week 4 of the term the issue is still to be rectified. There should by end of day today be a week, 1-3 post added to Tapestry.

We can't hide from the fact that since October Half term when we extended our day to 3.30 we have had reduced admin time to load onto Tapestry and this has meant that we have had a backlog of posts to get on with. The start to the term with our IT issues has compounded this. Sincere apologies we are looking to address this!

By the end of term we will be sending you a questionnaire re how we communicate and what you want to know about your child.

From the start of this term we intended to tell you in week one what the learning intentions are for the half term and specifically what skills we want to support with your child. There will be a photo within the Tapestry post that tells you what we are doing for your child. At the end of the half term we will report back on what/where your child has spent

time playing and learning, things they have found tricky and suggestions for how you can help them at home.

The questionnaire will be your chance to tell us what is important to you and we can then use this to inform our communications.

Theres no such thing as bad weather!

Winters here for a bit longer and storms are coming and whatever the weather (safety first though !) we will be outside playing and exploring. We have wellies and waterproofs but please do put an extra pair of trousers/leggings/skirt/tights and most importantly socks in your child's bag. Socks seem to be the first thing that gets wet and something we have NO spares of - if you do have any socks - we don't mind odd ones - please pass them to us. Winter hats and gloves would also be gratefully received.

Milborne Breakfast

Friday 7th February is the next chance to have coffee and croissant alongside other parents and children in the school hall. If your child is starting school in September we really do recommend you attend this and the other breakfasts this year in order to familiarise your child with the school

School Readiness for September 2025

For all of you with children starting school in September we will be giving out information on School Readiness this week and will be arranging to talk to you about this.

AGM

Our AGM is being held on Tuesday 25th February at 9am in the School hall. Please do attend as WE NEED your views on the future of Ladybirds. We are happy to have children attend or join us in the preschool room whilst you attend.

Gravel

We are so pleased to have spent last years fundraising pot on a gravel digging area. Do have a look; its tucked between the shed and reception playground.

Term dates

Monday 17 th Feb – Friday 21 st Feb	February half term
Monday 24 th February	First day of school
March	
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day
April	
Friday 4 th April	Milborne Breakfast – 8am
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term – 3.30pm finish
Monday 7 th Monday 21 st April	Easter Holiday
Tuesday 22 nd April	INSET DAY
Wednesday 23 rd April	First day of school
May	
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 23 rd May	Last day of half term – 3.30pm finish
Monday 26 th -30 th May	Half term
June	
Monday 2 nd June	First day of school
Friday 20 th June	Milborne Breakfast – 8am

July	
Friday 18 th July	Ladybirds cream tea and games. 2pm Last day of term – 3.30pm finish
Monday 21 st July	INSET DAY
Monday 22 nd July	INSET DAY

Reminders

Please name bags, lunch boxes, bottles, coats and shoes.

Please no nuts edibles which includes chocolate nut sandwiches - we are nut free.

Please tell us about any change to your child's health and dietary requirements; e.g allergies or medications.