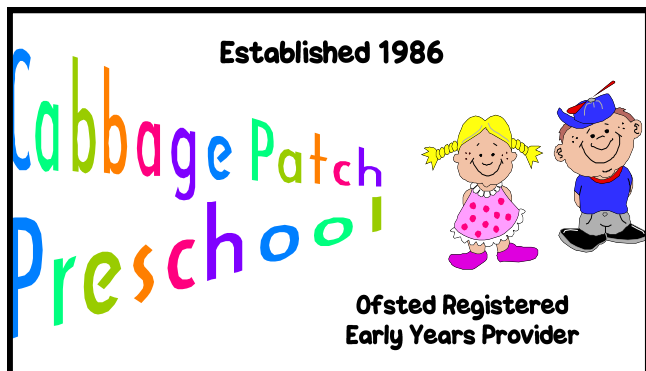


# Cabbage Patch news March 2020

This month in conjunction with the normal learning we will be discussing Spring, new beginnings, Easter, special days and events.



## Fees Three year olds

Children who have their third birthday this term will be eligible for the 15hr. grant when we return after Easter. Please take a copy of their birth certificate into Cabbage Patch, this together with a form Janice or Jo will ask you to sign is a requirement from the local authority for a free place.

Parents who feel they are entitled to a free 2 year old place will be asked to provide us with the following information so we can check their eligibility;- parents full names, D.O.B. and N.I. no's.. All other fees are the responsibility of parents and are to be paid on the first day of the week your child attends.

## School choices for reception class

We hope that all parents/carers are given their choice of school. Please let us know when you have been informed. If you are not happy with the decision we will help with appeals.

## Places

We are already receiving requests for places in September. We want to ensure that parents whose children presently attend are given the days and times they request before we offer any new places. Please remember that working parents can apply for the 30hour grant for the term following their child's third birthday.

If you would also like a form for any younger children please ask, complete and return a.s.a.p.

It has been brought to our attention that inappropriate language is being used on our path by adults as they bring / collect children. This is unacceptable behaviour. If we receive any further comments people will be spoken to individually.

## March 1st St. David's Day, Patron Saint of Wales

### March 5th World Book Day.

We will be reading some of the children's favourite stories. On Thursday 5th. and Friday 6th. you have the opportunity to dress your children as a character from their favourite book and we hope lots of them will take part. Remember we have a large library of books which you are welcome to borrow from. Please speak to Rachael our E.C.A.T. (Every Child A Talker) lead member of staff. An idea for home, to take a photo of your child in the funniest place to be reading then send to us for our display.

### March 9th to 13th Science week

We will explore the life cycles of e.g. tadpoles to frogs and caterpillars to butterflies, Venture outdoors to see what we can discover in our garden under logs and stones. Experiment with equipment e.g. pipettes and tweezers,, using the theme of rainbows we will make "rain" and learn the primary colours, develop maths knowledge using scales in our shop, weighing ingredients, from junk modelling create rockets and by adding small world toys go into space. Michelle has put lots of fun, learning ideas to continue with at home.

### March 9th to 13th Comic Relief, Sports Week/relief

The children love to be active and on Friday 13th we will have lots of extra fun doing more physical activities and play. We will explain to the children some of the reasons for this special event. Your children will be bringing home their own specially decorated buns, made as healthy as possible. I am sure we will see some wonderful creations and ask that you donate £1 for us to send in support of this cause. Thank you.

### March 17th St. Patrick's Day, Patron Saint of Ireland

### Sunday March 22nd. is Mothers Day,

Your children will be busy making something special for their mums.

Thank you to the parents who have returned the parental questionnaires which were attached to last months news letter. If you haven't yet done so we would appreciate them a.s.a.p. Arrangements will be made for any parents who have requested a meeting..