



Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed a relaxing Easter break. Thank you for the photos you shared on Tapestry of your children using their Easter Biscuit cookie cutters, the biscuits looked very tasty—what fine young bakers we have! Well done too to all of the children who had success at sprouting their sunflowers, again it is a joy to see the pictures of their activities on Tapestry.

Last term was a busy one. The children enjoyed receiving another visitor to Chestnut, Izzy from Resource Futures, who spoke to the children about compost, how we make it, the benefits of it and the types of animals that live inside it. The children took a lot from the session and were really interested in what Izzy had to share.



We also enjoyed our many joint sessions with you last month—World Book Day, Mother’s Day Crafts, Playful Talkers and Just One Tree Day. Thanks to all of you who supported the children in these sessions. We are delighted to share that with your support we raised a **£156** for Just One Tree day towards planting new trees. What a wonderful outcome.



## Children starting school in September 2026

If your child is starting school in September 2026 (Children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022) you will have received confirmation about which school they will be attending. Please can you check you have received this information and let your child’s key worker know which school your child will be moving to in September.

This information will help us to begin our work on transition.

To support you with the move we are holding two sessions for parents on **Tuesday 28th May @ 9.15-10.15am** and again **@ 2-3pm**. It is important for you to attend one of the sessions as we will share ways in which we can work together to make the transition as smooth as possible for your child.



## March's Gallery



What's cooking in the mud kitchen?



Who can stretch up high?



An artist hard at work.



Writing a note.



I've made a Castle.



What have you found today?

# Other news

## Parent workshops

This half term we will be holding a number of parent workshops aimed at supporting you and your child during key stages of development and transition. Details will be shared on Tapestry and listed in the dates below.

## Active Travel

As part of our Climate Action plan we support active travel to and from nursery as much as possible. To support you walking, scooting and riding bikes to Chestnut we have provided a shelter under which buggies, scooters and bikes can be stored during the nursery school day.

We do understand that some days some families will need to drive to nursery. If you do drive we encourage you to park at Wonford Leisure Centre and use the cut through path to Chestnut. This helps to cut down the emissions outside nursery, keep resident parking areas open for residents and provides time for a blast of fresh air and exercise on your way in!

## Exciting news!

As part of our continual improvements to the nursery environment we have secured funding for a big garden project that will transform the top garden. Plans are afoot to re-landscape the garden during the summer holidays to create a brand new playing space for the children in September. The new playground area will provide an exciting area for children to play in all weathers, whilst keeping the Apple Garden as a wilder, more natural space for exploration.



## Dates for your diary

**Ongoing— every Monday stay and play session 9.30-11.00am**

**Wednesday 22nd April**

- **Earth Day Litter Pick**—come and join us with your child for a community litter pick outside nursery @ **8.45am**

**Tuesday 28th April**

- **School Readiness sessions** for all parents of children going to school in September 2026. Choose between **9.15am or 2pm**

**Monday 4th May**

- Bank Holiday—Chestnut will be closed

**Thursday 21st May**

- **Power and Identity workshop**

A workshop for parents to offer support, strategies and shared experience of the Power and Identity stage of childhood.

(More information to follow)

**Friday 22nd May**

- Last day of half-term

**Monday 1st June**

- First day of half-term

