

Dear Parents,

Here are some reminders/dates for you and a quick note about what we have been doing in nursery this half term!

Our trip to Malvern theatre to see: The Very Hungry Caterpillar: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May (see additional letter) nursery opening times are as usual however for those children who do not normally attend Thursdays please let us know if you are collecting at 1.30 or 3pm. Please also ensure that all children have a lunchbox and do not order a cooked lunch from school that day as we are not around to collect it for you; thanks.

**WE ARE CLOSED Bank Holiday Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

**Half term week: 29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June: please book your child with Pippa: [manager@cliftoneyc.co.uk](mailto:manager@cliftoneyc.co.uk) if you are a term time only child and require a place over the half term break, thanks**

**All children return: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Clifton Primary School Summer Fayre: Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July 1pm – 4pm: Nursery are hosting a bouncy castle at the fayre; if you are free and able to help support the castle with your time please sign up (a sheet will be on the nursery door after half term for helpers!) all help very much appreciated; the more people who help the less time 'manning' will be required: 15 minutes – ½ hour ???

**Break up for Summer: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July: please book your child with Pippa: [manager@cliftoneyc.co.uk](mailto:manager@cliftoneyc.co.uk) if you are a term time only child and require a place over the Summer.**

We have recently purchased two new gazebos for our outdoor area and are hoping to see the sun return! Keep your fingers crossed. Please apply sun cream to your child and/or long cool clothes before they arrive at nursery and bring a hat too if a hot day is predicted. Thank you



This half term the children have been looking at mini beasts and insects which will come to end as we take a trip to Malvern Theatre to see The Hungry Caterpillar live on stage!!



Spiders!



OUR BEE HIVE!



Frogs!



Lady birds and snails



Symmetrical Bees

Symmetrical Bumble bees!



The children have been creating all sorts of beasts; they have cooked and baked them; made honey flapjacks, painted symmetrical bees and a bee hive, scary spiders, all sorts of art and craft creations of ladybirds, worms and snails! They have made frogspawn with jelly and raisins while they learnt about the life cycle of the frog and next week will be learning about the life cycle of the caterpillar with pasta!!

Please ensure that if you would like your child to have their face/hands painted like an insect then we have received the permission slip please! (spare copies are in the reception area)

After half term the children will be looking at Journeys & Holidays! Hopefully we will have some Summer weather to support our topic!

### Key workers

It's been great to see and hear that some parents have caught up with their child's key worker over the past months or so; there is still time before the end of the year if you would like to chat about your child's learning and development and catch up with your child's key worker at nursery; please ask them for a suitable date and time over the next few weeks OR If you prefer email Pippa on [manager@cliftoneyc.co.uk](mailto:manager@cliftoneyc.co.uk) to request a meeting and we can organise a convenient time for you!!

### Transition to school

During June and July we will be visiting Clifton Primary School to ensure a smooth transition for our preschool children. If your child is not attending Clifton Primary please let us know where their place for September is in order that we can support your child with the transition. The taster days for Clifton Primary are Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July.



### ACTIVE KIDS AT SAINSBURYS



Please have a look in the bottom of your bags to see if you any spare vouchers floating around. We are hoping to apply for a balance beam set for outside and will be sending off the vouchers over the half term! Thank you to everyone who has donated!!

