

Spring 2020 NEWSLETTER

A belated welcome to 2020, and the Spring Term. First of all I would like to thank Amy who organized the Christmas Fayre so brilliantly, and all her helpers. The magnificent sum of £961 was raised for Playgroup funds. Thanks also to everyone who made the Nativity/Party day such a pleasant and enjoyable occasion, and to those who gave raffle prizes and bought tickets. A generous £138 was added to our funds, which is greatly appreciated.

This term we welcome Rose Twiner and Ruby Harris to our Playgroup. We hope they will be very happy with us.



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The children are learning about colours, shapes and numbers this term. They are frequently out and about for walks in the environment looking for numbers on doors/cars etc. and seeing who can spot a particular colour. So please remember to bring wellies and warm coats. Please also remember to bring some colourful fruit to share at snack time, and talk about it with your child.

We have been offered the opportunity of running the raffle at the local pantomime on Fri. 21st February and having the takings for our Playgroup. If you have a suitable raffle prize you could donate please bring it to playgroup. There will be a box in the hallway to receive your gifts. The pantomime takes place in the Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. It is always a good laugh and is suitable for all the family. We have 2 willing helpers to sell the tickets but if there is anyone else who would like to help or be a reserve please let us know. There is always the chance of illness at this time of year!

Talking of illness, please can I remind you that if your child has an upset tummy please leave 48 hours free of sickness or diarrhoea before returning to Playgroup. Please phone to let the staff know why your child is absent. Thank you. 0780 340 3356



Rose, Nicky, Amy, Val and Liz

Thank you to those who took the time to fill in our recent questionnaire. 13 copies were received. We had some very favourable comments. In answer to the few questions we had: The Learning Journeys are available to be seen at any time. You just need to ask. We can’t leave them out because of the data protection act. Staff are available to discuss your child’s progress at any time. You can contribute to them yourself by using the post-it notes in the box on the Parents’ Table. Our “Activities at Playgroup” sheet should go out to all parents 6 times a year. On there you will find a paragraph about how you can help your child at home, and in your Welcome Pack there is a section on how to complain. I know there is an awful lot to read but we hope you find what you need. If not, just ask!

We are getting quite busy (which is good!) with lots of little ones, so some extra help at snack time would be much appreciated. Please sign up on our parent rota at a time that suits you. We don’t expect you to stay all day, but just until snack and washing up are done. You will enjoy it and so will your child. It’s also a good chance to look at his/her learning Journey.

A reminder about picking up time. Please phone if you know you will be unavoidably late. There is a late fine of £5 for each 15 mins you are late. You are deemed late if, you come after 10 mins to the hour.

Spring is approaching and we will try to arrange a visit to Little Foxes Farm in March to see the baby animals.

Looking even further forward we have arranged for the Easter Bonnet Parade, Egg Hunt and Coffee Morning to be on Friday 3rd April at 10.30 a.m. Please put this in your diary and encourage friends and family to come along.

Our half term is the week beginning Mon 17th Feb.

We hope you all have a very happy term.