

PLAYGROUP NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2013

Welcome back to Playgroup one and all, and those of you who are new to us. We have started this term in a newly painted hall which we were unaware was being done, so please bear with us until the curtains are back and we sound a little better! We hope in the meantime though that you appreciate the brighter feel to the building.

This term we will be doing lots of our usual autumnal events which you will be able to check up on via our new website www.seendplaygroup.com. This newsletter will come to your e-mails but will also be on that website. There will also be information from the staff about outings and events, so make sure you keep us on your favourite list.

New Committee We had our **AGM** in September at The Bell Inn at Seend and have got our new committee together. If you were not able to attend, we would still love people to be involved so just let the staff know. Linda stepped down as Chair and Justine Cooper stepped up. Jess Streeter is Treasurer and Sam Brailey is the Secretary. There are 7 people on the committee all doing their best to help us raise funds for our outings and the like so we hope you will all support the events as much as you can. This term is always a busy one as we head towards Christmas so let's start with a list of key dates – diaries at the ready!

Dates for your diary

October 11th - Tempest Photos

October 28th- Nov 5th inclusive - HALF TERM

November 15th - Children in Need Day. All children can come in something spotty and we will be selling/making spotty cakes.

Tuesday November 19th - Committee Meeting, 8pm Bowerhill

November 30th - Jumble sale in aid of Playgroup at Pavillion 10-12
(drop off for donations Friday 29th November 2.30-3.30 and 6-6.30pm)

December 10th - Xmas preparation event for parents, 8pm Bulkington

December 12th - Parent and Carer Christmas Meal, Venue TBA

December 17th - Playgroup Nativity. All welcome!

December 19th - Playgroup Children's Christmas party and entertainment, including that special visitor!

FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER - TD DAY IN LINE WITH SEEND SCHOOL. PLAYGROUP WILL BE SHUT

January 6th – First day of term

Clothing As we head into winter, may we remind everyone to bring boots, hats, scarves, gloves and coats every day as we go out as much as possible. It does help if you have a separate bag with all these things in it to go back and forth. We also have logo shirts, sweatshirts and fleeces, which we will be having out on display soon. Sometimes this helps with getting children used to the routine of playgroup and makes parents mornings easier with clothing choices!

Parent rotas This is a valuable part of our playgroup where we ask parents to sign up to help out at one session a term. The children get so much out of their carer or parent being at the setting, it will enable you to see what they do each day and it helps the staff get things done more easily and. Tuesday and Wednesdays are not needed but please look at signing up on Monday, Thursdays or Fridays in the hall on the notice board. If you are unable to help out, please let a member of staff know in case there is something else you may be able to get involved in.

Request for IT specialists! Is there a parent specialist that would be willing to work with the administrator on some skills shortages?!...We had a computer glitch last year which was solved in one way and opened a skills gap at the same time. If anyone has a few hours to spare we would be grateful. Please make contact on the e-mail below. Thank you

Jumble sale We would be grateful for any parent helpers at the jumble sale on 30th November. All proceeds are going to our playgroup and it is a few hours that benefits one and all. Please make yourselves known to the staff if you can help, thank you.

If there are any queries, please feel free to approach the staff or email us at seendplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk. We would love to hear from you, even if it is a moan or compliment, suggestion or query.

Thank you on behalf of Playgroup committee

Jacqui Hart

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