



# Playwell Pre-school Newsletter

## March 2020

### Dates for this term

**Mayoral election closure -Thursday 7th May**

**Bank holiday - Friday 8th May**

### Last term

Last term we talked with the children and had many activities based on sharing, kindness, friendship and caring. This is something that we are always working on but we gave it an extra push and we feel that the children have really benefited from this topic. We also looked at transport which included making a train station in the role play area and the week finished with the children making a wonderful aeroplane with many discussions about where we could go. We do post weekly photos of the activities on our Facebook page and connect them to the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage). Please take a look and give the posts a like and maybe even a comment.

### Friendship centre

Last term, sadly, we had to close the doors to the friendship centre before the morning session. We did have a lot of feedback from this decision and we thank you for your comments. The staff and committee have had lots of discussions since the doors were closed and it has been decided that the doors will be opened again for your comfort. We have been reminded that it is a privilege for Playwell to use this area and is not an area that is for running, hiding, playing etc, but for talking and reading with your child. We also have new children starting this term and if they are feeling anxious, seeing the friendship centre as it was is extremely scary for them and not a good advertisement for us. We ask that you please keep an eye on your children in the friendship centre as we don't want this situation happening again.

### Cake sale

We would like to thank you all for supporting our cake sale, we raised £160.23. This money will be going towards new toys. We would also like to thank Fionn's family for helping us to sell the cakes.





## Open Day

This term we will be having our annual open day (Tuesday 24th March). This is a day where you can come in and take part in our activities with your child and meet committee members. We will be sending invites out soon.

We will also be providing you with our annual parent questionnaire. We find this is a great way for us to evaluate our practice.

## School work

School work is going well and the children are really enjoying it. If you have any questions about your child's progress please speak to your keyworker.

## Lunches

Can you please provide your child's lunch into a lunchbox or a small lunch bag. Rucksacks are too big to fit in the fridge as we do have to fit 25 in it. We also provide milk or water at lunchtime, so you don't need to provide drinks either.

If your child is staying for lunch, we ask that it is a healthy lunch with no sweets. No peanut butter and no nuts as we have children with allergies and could we also ask that grapes and tomatoes are cut in half as they are a choking hazard. If your child has a yoghurt in a pot please provide a spoon.

## A couple of reminders

Some of our toys are still making their way into the children's pockets, so we are still asking you to check their pockets for toys going home.

Don't forget to have a chat with our 2 parent reps, Claire and Katie.

If your child is unwell could you please give us a call or a text.

All of the newsletters and letters that we give to you are on the website and weekly updates of the children's learning is posted on facebook. Term dates and other important information is on the website as well as on the 2 notice boards, please check them regularly, just in case you think that you have missed something.

We hope that you all have an enjoyable term at Playwell.

**Don't forget- we are available at all times if you have any concerns or worries regarding your child.**

Thank you, The Playwell team

