



# Playwell Pre-school Newsletter

## June 2021

### Dates for this term

**Last Day of term - Thursday 22nd July**

**Back to school - Thursday 2nd September**

For some of you it will be your last term with us at Playwell. We will be very sad to see you all go and we wish you every happiness in your new schools.

If your child is leaving us, your key worker is working on your child's records ready to pass onto their new setting. We would like you to come and have a look at them before they get sent off. Please make an appointment with your key worker for dates starting on Monday 28th June and the last day to meet will be Friday 9th July.

We are hoping to have our sports day in Eltham Park on Wednesday 14th July. We will give you more info when we can.

If you are thinking of heading off on holiday abroad during the term please remember the isolation and testing guidelines. Let's keep our Playwell community safe.

As we hope the weather may be warming up this term, we ask that you bring in a named sunhat and that you put suncream on your child before coming into pre-school as we are not able to do so, thank you.

Please remember that you do still need to wear your mask whilst dropping off and picking up your child. You will not be able to come into Playwell without one. We hope that the guidelines will ease very soon.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out our parent questionnaire, we have read them all and discussed the comments and we are very humbled by comments such as 'staff are warm and friendly' 'activities are great'. We also thank you for your response to the covid 19 question and we are pleased that we have provided a safe environment for us all - with your help, of course.





## Activities

The majority are pleased with the activities that we plan for your children and we are very sorry that we have not provided cooking activities over the last year. This has been due to the pandemic and we are waiting to hear from the DfE and Greenwich Early Years on when we can start this favourite activity again.

## Start/finish times

Pre-schools start and finish times have always worked around school hours and term times. If we move our times to outside these hours we would then be classed as a day nursery which we aren't. We do apologise if our hours do not fit with your needs.

## Key Worker meetings

Your key worker would have met with you 6 weeks after starting with us and talked you through their record of development. They will then catch up with you after a year if they are staying with us, not going to nursery. They will then meet with you again before your child leaves us. If you have any concerns or want to chat about your child's progress, we are available at any time so come and ask.

## Videos

Taking videos is a safeguarding issue and also means that staff are being taken away from other children whilst they are filming.

## Text updates

For communication such as this we do not have office staff and we are all time tabled to be with the children. We have always been a pre-school that believes talking to each other is important and children seeing us talk is good practice. Please come and chat or call us if you have concerns, we are available to talk at any time about your child

## Our outside area

We have listened to parents in the past about not having any grass outside and we now have artificial grass (which doesn't get muddy), soft flooring, a mud kitchen and pretty planting.

Thank you all for your input.

All of the newsletters and letters that we give to you are on the website and daily updates of the children's learning is posted on facebook. We post photos too, so please like us.

Term dates and other important information is on the website as well as on the two notice boards. Please check them regularly, just in case you think that you have missed something.

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

