



# Playwell Pre-school Newsletter

## February 2022

### Dates for this term

**Last Day of term – Friday 1st April**

**Back to school – Wednesday 20th April**

**World book day – Thursday 3rd March**

**Parent open day – Wednesday 16th March**

**Easter service – Wednesday 30th March**

**Closed for polling – Thursday 5th May**

### This term

We will be celebrating World book day on Thursday 3rd March and we would love to see all of the children dressed up as their favourite book characters.

We will be having an 'Open Day' on Wednesday 16th March. This gives you the opportunity to come in and take part in activities with your child and see what we do in a Playwell session. You can also meet members of the management committee and discuss anything Playwell. We are welcoming you between 9.00 – 11.30 (story time) and 1.30-2.30. We hope that you can make some time to join us.

We will also be handing out our parent questionnaire for you to fill out. This enables us to evaluate what we do at Playwell and what we can do better.

### Easter celebration

As we didn't have a Nativity at Christmas, we will be having an Easter celebration on Wednesday 30th March at 11.30 in the Church for the children to sing to you. If your child doesn't attend Wednesday mornings, you can bring them in for the celebration at 11.00 and you can then take your seat in the Church.

### Covid update

The announcement from the Government on Monday about the 'living with Covid plan' means that self isolation is no longer mandatory but does still advise to isolate for 5 days if you test positive. We ask that you keep this in your mind if you or your child does have a positive test result as we need to think of the wider Playwell community- parents, grandparents and vulnerable family members.





Please call or text us if your child won't be attending Playwell. This is really important as a member of staff needs to then be away from the children to call or text you to know why you have not come in.

## Heading to Reception

We are still continuing our 'schoolwork' for children who will be heading off to Reception class in September. We are separating them into small groups and working on name writing, number puzzles, playing games and concentration skills. As there are 25 children, we aim to give them this time 2-3 times a week. If you have any questions about this please ask your keyworker.

## Lunches

For new lunchtime parents, if your child is staying for lunch, we ask that you provide a healthy lunch with no sweets.

You do not need to provide a drink as we have milk and water available so please do not bring in water bottles. If you really must bring in a water bottle, please make sure that it fits into the lunch bag.

No peanut butter, no nuts and no eggs as we have children with allergies, 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.

We do have to fit 25 lunch boxes into the fridge, so can we ask that rucksacks are not used as lunchboxes.

## Coats and bags

You do not need to bring in bags for your child unless your key worker has asked to bring extra clothes in. If you do bring in a bag, please leave it on the table in the hall.

Please provide your child with a coat as we do go outside every day and please name your child's coats, jumpers and cardigans. It can be very difficult when a child wants to go outside and we can't find their coat and they can't remember what it looks like.

Can we remind you that the children's work is on the table for you to take home with you. Please take a look when you collect your child.

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 2 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.**

