

## WELCOME EVERYONE!

We've had a fantastic start to the new term as we saw many new faces joining us! Welcome to Freddie N, Alfie, Ezhi, Emma and Junior! All have settled in well and are enjoying exploring the Playgroup with their new friends! Also welcome of course to their families! If you have any questions about your child or anything to do with Playgroup, or if you are thinking of joining the Management Committee, please speak to a member of staff!

## TOPICS AND ACTIVITIES

This half term our children have been learning about zoo/jungle animals, and farm animals! Before half term we will also be celebrating Chinese New Year, Shrove Tuesday and Valentine's Day! After half term, we will be doing lots of reading with a topic of 'Our Favourite Books!' Please have a look through your collections at home with your child and bring their favourite stories in over the half term, and we will happily read them at story time and do activities related! Happy story hunting!!

## IMPORTANT DATES!

Half Term - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February.  
Sponsored Easter Walk TBC!! - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March.  
End of Spring Term - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March.  
Start of Summer Term - Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April.  
Next Committee Meeting - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

## Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Once again we are asking that if you shop at Sainsbury's, please don't throw your Active Kids vouchers away - please pop them in the box in the entrance hall. If you have any grandparents or family members who shop there, ask them to collect! Also, if you would like to put a wallet up to collect them at your place of work, please ask Miss Pearson!

## CAR PARKING AND SITE ACCESS

Just to remind or inform, all families dropping off or collecting in cars should park on School Lane, not obstructing School or private drives, or park on The Eagle & Serpent car park. When visiting Playgroup, please use School's green gate to cross the large playground, and then walk around the back of School and up the ramp to Playgroup. This is for your safety!

## Fruit/Veg at Snack Time

At snack times we provide the children with milk and water, as well as a selection of fruit/veg and a savoury snack. We ask all families if you would be so kind as to provide a piece or two of fruit/veg, on every day that your child attends. This is all shared out so everyone can try a range of snacks! Please give to staff when you arrive.

## Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Dougie (3), Dylon (4), Emma (4) and Jasmin (3) who celebrated their birthdays in January, and to Maisey who will be 4 in March and to Alfie who will be 3 in April.

## LUNCHES

We are seeing a lovely variety of foods in our lunch boxes, and we're really pleased to see people following our Healthy Eating code! Well done! We just want to ask people to make sure grapes are cut length-ways to prevent choking.

## COMMITTEE NEWS...

The next Committee Meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30 @ The Eagle, Kinlet.

All current members should attend, as well as any parents/carers of children who will still be with us in September, who wish to join.

We are of course a committee run Playgroup, and that committee is made up from a majority of parents/carers. We rely on you to keep us open, so if you can spare any time to be a member, please do come along and register your interest for joining the Committee.



## NEWSLETTER

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## Spare Clothes

We ask that all children, regardless of age, be provided with some spare clothes in a bag for the sessions they attend Playgroup. Occasionally any child may have a wet accident, or may get messy or wet from water play or splashing outside, and they will need a change. The children often feel more comfortable in their own clothes, so please send some spares for them.