

Welcome back to all of the children who attended last year - everyone seems very happy to be back! And welcome to Leland and Seth who have joined us! Also a very happy welcome to Sophie who is Mrs. Williams' new baby - born in August! We will be having cuddles soon!!



PLAYGROUP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Playgroup AGM is fast approaching and I must stress to all of our parents and carers how *desperate* we are for new Committee members. Playgroup is managed by a Parent/Carer Committee which **MUST** have at least 5 members to operate, otherwise Playgroup will have to close. As a member you will attend meetings, roughly once per term (plus the AGM), usually held at The Eagle & Serpent in Kinlet in the evening, and you will contribute your opinion on the running of Playgroup. You will also have a vote in any decisions that are put to a vote. We would also love our members to bring fundraising ideas and be able to give time occasionally to organise any events we may hold. As we are low on children numbers at the moment, we hope that one person from every family will be able to join!

Two heads of our Committee are moving on this year, so we are looking for a new Chairperson and a new Secretary within our Committee members.

Chairperson is an important role in the running of Playgroup as you will be the overall lead of the Playgroup, will chair Committee meetings and need to be happy with leadership and motivation! **Secretary** is a fairly simple role; taking minutes, typing an agenda, helping with fundraising.

It would be great if people taking on these roles could be someone who is willing to stay with us for a couple of years, however anyone with a suitable background will be considered.

Please note all Committee appointments are dependent on a DBS check.

Next Committee Meeting: Monday 3rd October, 7.30pm, Eagle & Serpent @ Kinlet.

TOPIC We are learning about Ourselves at the moment - if you have any family photos we can pop on the wall, please bring them in!

SNACK TIME

At Playgroup the children are offered fresh fruit/veg at each snack time, as a lovely healthy choice. We ask our families to bring donations to each session their child attends to enable this, for example a banana or two, or a pepper etc. If you don't have anything to hand we don't mind a tin of fruit, e.g. pineapple!

Thank you to everyone who has remembered this from last year!

ABSENSES If your child will not be in Playgroup due to illness, please let us know directly. Please do not rely on School as we are a separate concern and do not always get messages, thank you.

CHANGING WEATHER & SPARE CLOTHES

As we travel into Autumn, please be aware of the changeable weather, and ensure your child has appropriate clothing, including a coat/jacket, and a pair of wellies - ideally these will be left at Playgroup if you have a spare pair! Please make sure that **all** clothing, wellies, lunch bags etc, are named or initialled - it helps us a lot! It is also very helpful that your child has a full change of clothes left on their peg, including socks and pants! We are running quite low on girls clothes and socks for boys and girls - if you have any spares/old ones, please think of Playgroup. Also if your child has any of our clothes, **please** wash and return ASAP.

SAFETY & ACCESS TO PLAYGROUP

While it is the easiest option, crossing the School car park is not the safest option. School kindly request that **all** families access the site via the green gate onto the main playground at any time of the day. To access Playgroup, our families should cross the large playground, then the small playground and come around the back of the School building. This is a much safer option for your child - the gates to the school car park will be locked to remind and reinforce this to everyone during school hours. Thank you!

IMPORTANT DATES

School Photos - Thursday 15th September.

Committee Meeting - Monday 3rd October, 7.30pm.

Half Term - Monday 24th Oct - Friday 28th October.

PD Day - Monday 21st November (Playgroup CLOSED)