# Playwell Pre-school Newsletter

January 2018

#### Dates for this term

Last Day of term – Friday 9th February Back to school –Tuesday 20th February

#### Welcome back

We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and we would like to thank you all for your lovely presents and cards that you gave us for Christmas. We appreciate your appreciation! We welcome new children this term. We hope that you will join us in welcoming our new families.

Don't forget that our parent reps, Jessica and Lilianna are very friendly if you want to chat about anything Playwell!

## Preparing for reception

If your child's date of birth is between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014, you will need to apply for a reception place in school.

You will need to do this before 15th January 2018 via the Greenwich website. For these children we will be working more closely with them getting them ready for Reception class by doing 'schoolwork'.

This will be concentrating on name writing, letter recognition and number work. The children will be working together in small groups and we will be setting tasks based on ability too.

#### **OFSTED** visit

OFSTED visited us at the end of November and they have rated us good. We hope that you have all had a chance to read the inspection report. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

# Keeping up to date

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. 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.





## Free childcare parental declarations

If your child claims free childcare, you will have received a parental declaration form for you to fill out, Greenwich council have asked that you fill out the whole form - this is a new initiative from the council. This form will be kept on the Playwell premises until your child leaves, can you please get the forms back as soon as possible – thank you.

## Just a couple of gentle reminders

Don't forget our fruit tin! We ask that you donate money or fruit for our snack time and you have all been extremely generous!

Can you please write your child's name on their coats, cardigans etc. This will stop them from getting lost. We do try to go outside as much as possible, so please provide a coat every day.

Wellington boots are not suitable for climbing, running etc. Trainers are a lot more suitable, and comfortable too. Please change your child's footwear if they wear wellies to pre-school.

Please do not bring toys in from home, they get lost and children get upset.

The Church have asked us to remind you that you do not park on the premises at any time.

Don't forget your child's work on the table every day!

Thank you- we really appreciate your support.

#### Parent rota

If you are interested in spending some time with us once your child has settled please sign up for our Parent rota. There is one in the friendship centre and one by the back door. We love having parents in as it does help to develop great relationships between staff and parents and carers.

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

Thank you, The Playwell team

