



# Playwell Pre-school

## Newsletter

November 2022

### Dates for this term

**Last Day of term – Friday 16th December**

**Back to school – Wednesday 4th January**

**Photographer – 18th November**

**Nativity – Wednesday 14th December**

**Christmas party – Friday 16th December 10-12**

All of our new friends settled in so well last term and are having great fun with us. We are all so proud of you!!

### Lunches

If your child is staying for lunch, we ask that you provide a healthy lunch with no sweets in a lunch box and not a lunch bag. We cannot fit lunch bags on the trolley or in the fridge and they can get very dirty and collect germs.

Could we also ask that grapes and tomatoes are cut in half as they are a choking hazard and no nuts or peanut butter as we have children with allergies.

If your child has a yoghurt in a pot please provide a spoon.

### Tuesdays

On Tuesdays, can you please bring your buggies into the hall for storage and please fold them up. We will be using the hall a lot more this term and they do take up a lot of space if left up. Tuesdays 6th and 13th December – we ask that you collect your child from our playground entrance - up the path to where our lovely mural is and come through the gate.

### Water bottles

We have found that last term the children were not using their water from the bottles but were asking for milk and water from our cups, so we are asking for you not to bring the bottles in. We also ask that you don't bring in a drink for lunch either as we do have plenty of milk and water for all – thank you for your understanding.





## Unwell children

If your child is feeling unwell, give us a call and please do not bring them in to Playwell. Please keep them at home until they are feeling better. Covid is still around and we need to protect our Playwell community – children, staff and parents – thank you.

We must advise you that we cannot give calpol to your child.

## Energy saving

We are all currently watching our energy usage at the moment so, with this in mind, we are asking you to bring an extra layer in for our child in case they feel a bit chilly. We hope that you won't notice any change and we will try to keep your children as warm as we possibly can.

## Photographer

The photographer will be visiting us on Friday 18th November during the morning session. If your child does not attend Friday morning, you are welcome to bring them in to have their photograph taken, please let us know if you will be doing this. Siblings are welcome too.

This is a great fundraiser for Playwell and we thank you for your support.

## Arriving for morning session

Our session times are 9-12 and 9-3. We ask that you arrive before 9.15 when we close the doors so that the children get into good timekeeping for school. Their names are out when they come in and this is important for them to start recognising their name in preparation for writing it before they go to school. They can then join in with play with their friends. If they arrive late, they do miss out on these important parts of the day and we do have to leave the children to come and answer the door. If you know that you are going to be later than 9.30 we will ask you to miss the morning session and come in at 12. If you would like to discuss this further, please come and speak to us.

## Harvest collection thank you

Last term we had our harvest collection and you were all so generous – thank you. We also had a lovely walk to deliver our collection to the Philipot Almshouses and they were greatly received. Thank you to Arina, Sue, Rebecca and Barbara for coming with us, we couldn't have gone without you.

## Christmas activities

We will send out a Christmas newsletter soon to let you know about dates and times of our nativity and party – we haven't been able to have either of these since 2019 so it is very exciting!!

## Donations

Don't forget to donate to our fruit tin, it sits on the table every morning and we ask that you donate change or notes for us to go and buy the snacks for the children – thank you.





## Clothing

Please name your child's coat and cardigans. Sometimes the children have the same ones and it can get very confusing!

You do not need to bring a bag into Playwell unless your keyworker asks you to as we have many spare clothes .

## Applying for reception

If your child's date of birth is between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019, you will need to apply for a place in Reception class for September 2023.

You can apply online at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk) or telephone on 020 8921 8043.

The closing date for applications is 15th January 2023.

## Parent rota

We will have the parent rota up this term as we can now allow you to come in and stay with us for a session once your child has settled. We would love you to come and join us for some creative work, storytelling or anything else you may be interested in.

## Parking

May we advise you that parking is not permitted on Church premises- thank you

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 notice board, please check it regularly, just in case you think that you have missed something.

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.

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

