

This week at playgroup

Dear Parents and Carers

We have lots of good news for you this week. Firstly, you may have seen via social media that we received our big cheque at the weekend from Co-op! Playgroup received just under £6000 to improve our outdoor and forest school facilities.

A big thank you to everyone who chose us as their charity and shopped at Co-op and secondly to co-op for choosing us as their charity! Also, a big thanks to those of you that came down on Saturday morning to receive our big cheque!



Staffing Update

We are also pleased to announce that we have appointed a new manager who will start with us in January. We can't wait for you to meet her, she is going to be a fantastic edition to an already great team of staff.

Christmas Show

Yes, it is only 1 month until the BIG DAY!! We are already preparing at playgroup, with rehearsals for the show well under way. The children are having lots of fun with the bells, and props. Please could we ask all parents to wrap a box for the children to use on the day. Please bring this in ASAP so the children can begin practising, shaking their presents.

The "show" will take place at **9:30am** at Playgroup on **WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER**. There is limited space at playgroup so we request that only 2 people attend per family. If your child DOESN'T normally attend on a Wednesday then please bring them along at 9:15am (this excludes nursery children).

The children will perform a short "show" and then there will be a raffle and refreshments to raise money for playgroup. We look forward to seeing lots of you there!

PLAYGROUP IN THE WOODS



All children who attend Playgroup have the opportunity to attend regular sessions in the woods, we alternate each week to go on a different morning. The children arrive dressed appropriately for the weather, there is a head count and then they are free to go across the field to our first meeting point on route to the woods, at our first meeting point Sammy Squirrel goes over the 3 rules of Woodland Warriors

1. No pick – no picking any plants, leaves off trees, children can collect resources off the floor.
2. No lick – there is access to hand washing, so children aren't allowed to put their hands or fingers in their mouths
3. STOP – stopping immediately if they are told

Our second meeting place is at the entrance to woods, here the children are reminded about the boundary and our stop signs indicating how far the children can go. As a group we then make our way to base camp.

Base camp is where the children gather at the start and the end of the sessions. Base camp is also where the children will enjoy a healthy snack. Sessions are child initiated we supply resources like bug kits, paint brushes and buckets, tree and plant identification cards and den making equipment.

THIS WEEK WE WILL GO TO THE WOODS ON TUESDAY

Please dress your child appropriately for the weather and please remember to bring a change of footwear for when we return at the wellies get very muddy.

A reminder to please contact playgroup using the following number only **07960278409**

Email contact csg_playgroup@btinternet.com

Website <https://csgplaygroup.co.uk/>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/csgplaygroup/>

We still have spaces for Forest School EVERY THURSDAY 1-3 from September. £17 and £8.50 if you wish to use your funded hours

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

Xmas Show – 18th December

End of Term – Thursday 19th December

Back to playgroup Monday 6th January 2020