



CSG Pre School Playgroup Newsletter

19th October



This week at pre-school

Dear Parents and Carers

It is going to be a spooktacular week next week for the children at pre-school. We have lots of messy and fun activities planned, as well a couple of fundraising events. We are trying to raise much needed funds for our preschool in order to stay afloat during this uncertain time.

FANCY DRESS

We will be having fancy dress option every day with a donation (suggested £1) for each day you scare us with your costumes!

CAKES SALE

We will also be doing a cake sale, when you drop off your child a raffle ticket will be given upon receipt of your donation and when your child is collected at the end of their session they will be given their cake in a sealed bag.

We are also providing our families and the local community with some spooky fun during half term. Please visit the website www.csgplaygroup.co.uk to download the Halloween trail map. You will find spooky letters around the village throughout half term. This is a free event however we would appreciate donations via PayPal.



INVOICES



All invoices will be issued this week with payment due 30th October.

LAST CHANCE TO MAKE AN ORDER THIS WEEK – DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY

Dear Parents

Your children will be doing some artwork over the next couple of weeks; they are making a Christmas picture and an abstract piece. We are offering you the opportunity to have these made into Christmas cards and various other gift items. All of which are great ideas for Christmas gifts.



If you wish to make an order please complete the order form below and put in an envelope with a cheque payable to **Chalfont St Giles Pre School Playgroup** and return to Lisa by **Wednesday 21st October**.

If you wish to pay via bank transfer please reference child's name and Xmas. Please send in the order form stating payment made via BACS.

Please pay direct to Barclays Account 70638455 Sort code: 20-02-06

Childs Name _____

Item	Price	Amount	Total
Pack of 12 Christmas Cards	£5		
Mug	£8		
Magnet	£4		
Hanging Christmas Decoration	£5		
Pack of 4 coasters	£10		
Water Bottle	£8		
Handy Bag	£7		
Tea Towel	£7		
Big Shopper	£8		
Aprons	Child £8 Adult £10		
Total			£

YOU CAN VIEW YOUR CHILD'S ART WORK VIA TAPESTRY OR PLEASE SPEAK TO LISA.

EXCITING NEWS – WE ARE LAUNCHING OUR BREAKFAST CLUB AFTER HALF TERM.

Childcare will now be available from 8am, the children will be fed breakfast and they will enjoy a variety of activities for the first hour of the day. Please speak to Tania or email us if you have any further questions or to book your child's space.



CSG PRE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP PRESENTS

Breakfast club

8-9 am EVERYDAY

£6.50 per child

Toast, cereal and a drink included

CONTACT CSG_PLAYGROUP@BTINTERNET.COM



AT HOME LEARNING

Here is a link to some fun Autumn activities please visit our website next week and check out our Facebook page for lots more ideas.

<https://earlyyears.bucksc.gov.uk/media/50207/200914-hw-lah-autumn-artwork.pdf>



Activity ideas to support Learning at Home 2-5 year olds
Early Years Service, Children's Services
Buckinghamshire Council

AUTUMN WALK

Take a walk and collect natural resources you may find along the way. You could give your child a paper bag and count the items they find. These could include: Feathers, pinecones [Conkers](#), stones, leaves (different shapes and varieties) if you can, twigs and sticks. As you collect them, chat about the colours, sizes, shapes.
Can you add a variety of new words into your conversation as you walk and look for Autumn treasures?



AUTUMN CREATIVITY

THIS IS NOT A STICK.....

It's a wand
It's a guitar
It's a shovel
It's a baton
It's a telescope
It's a sword
It's a microscope
It's a ski pole
It's a spoon
It's a fishing pole
It's a treasure finder
It's a paddle
...And everything else a child could imagine



MAKE A CROWN

Go on a leaf and stick/twig hunt and stick these onto a strip of card (consider recycling a cardboard box such as a cereal box), and make the shape of a crown (to go round your child's head) and have a woodland tea party!
Need some inspiration?
Create a [Woodland Fairy Crown](#)
Encourage a teddy / friend to attend a tea party. Wear your crowns and display your artwork. Sit in a circle and enjoy a shared lunch whilst celebrating your crowns and artwork.

ARTWORK IN THE WOODS

Collect a large sheet/ towel / piece of paper and display all the items you have found on your walk. Can you create a self-portrait?



Take a walk and go foraging (searching for food)– [The Woodland Trust](#) highlights local places to visit and things to do in autumn. Be careful what you pick – [foraging responsibility guide](#).

STORY TIME

Listen to [the Stickman](#) by Julia Donaldson

Stick Man lives in the family tree, with his Stick Lady Love and their stick children three. Join Stick Man on an incredible adventure across the seasons as he runs from a playful dog, gets thrown in a river, escapes from a swan's nest and even ends up on top of a fire. Will he get back to his family in time for Christmas?
Or take a trip to the local [library](#) to locate the book.
Create your own stickmen – encourage your child to explore and use their own imagination. Can you make up a story together about going on a walk in the woods and the adventures you may have? Sing the 'This is Not a Stick' rhyme and act out each suggestion.

and encourage them to use their own imaginations to create anything.
Encourage children to use a variety of resources and explore the difference and similarities of these natural resources.
You may have some ideas but create alongside your child chatting about what you are doing and why? This will help them with ideas but also enable them to follow their own
Creating with natural objects can be a perfect place to pretend and make believe. Helping your child to show an understanding of the world they live in.
Chatting Matters
Vocabulary and increasing the number of new words your child hears every day is very important for future learning. *Can you add a variety of new words into your conversation as you walk and look for Autumn treasures?* Use words like *crunchy, smooth, hard, bronze, golden, curved, heavy, straight, seed, fruit, nut.*

Find out more about your Child's development

[What to expect when – Developmental Guide for Parents](#)

If you have any concerns about your child's development the first thing you can do is chat to your Child's Key Person at their Nursery or Pre-school or Childminder



Find out More

[The Woodland Trust](#)

[Small Talk - ideas for Parents](#)

[Hungry Little Minds Campaign](#)



30-50 months

You might notice that your child can:

Use simple sentences with 3-4 words to talk about what they are doing or what is happening.
Talk about what we are doing now, and what might happen later.

Expressive Arts and Design

30-50 months

You might notice that your child can:

Can choose the things like paper, material or ribbon that I want to use to make a picture.
Like to use lots of different things like paint, paper, wool and material to make a picture.

Physical Development

30-50 months

You might notice that your child can:

Run, walk, jump, lift, push and move around in lots of different ways. Practice running around collecting materials to use and will demonstrate lifting, carrying, pushing and rolling things into place and perhaps some fine manipulative skills to create their artwork.

Christmas Mini Photoshoot

We are pleased to announce Snap Happy Babies are joining
Chalfront St Giles Pre-School Playgroup

on
18th November 2020

£5 Shoot fee

Minimum of 2 backdrops

View and purchase your images online within 48hours



Prices: £10x 1 image, £20 x 3 digital images, £35 a Disc of All Images, £45 a USB of All Images
To book your child to be photographed please go to:

WWW.BOOKWHEN.COM/SNAPHAPPYBABIES

For more information contact Nicola 07710718564/ www.facebook.com/snaphappybabies

**PLAYGROUP PHOTOS – Date for the diary:18th
November**

We are extremely lucky this year that Snap Happy Babies is joining us and will be photographing the children and siblings. To pay for your shoot please click the link below there is a small fee (part of this fee is donated to the pre-school)

www.bookwhen.com/snaphappybabies

You will find the date and book in with your child's name. If your child normally attends on 18th November staff will ensure their photos are taken during the session. If your child does not normally attend but you would like to have photos taken please

book via the link and email me (Sarah) no1germanteacher@gmail.com and you will be given a time slot. They will be taking Xmas photos and photos in playgroup uniform if you wish.

YOU MUST BOOK EVEN IF YOUR CHILD ATTENDS ON A WEDNESDAY – NO BOOKING NO PHOTOS.

AGM Wednesday 21st October details

****ZOOM INVITE****

Lindsay Turner is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: CSG Pre-school Playgroup AGM

Time: Oct 21, 2020 08:00 PM London

Join Zoom

Meeting <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2469284669?pwd=cW01VVlOakZabTJmYXhqMETxK3VTUT09>

Meeting ID: 246 928 4669

Passcode: playgroup

We will be holding our AGM (Annual General Meeting) on Wednesday 21st October 2020. As we are a charity run Playgroup we are governed by our committee who have to hold these meetings once a year at the start of the term.

This is a great opportunity to meet the trustees and ask any questions you may have. This year we will be discussing issues central to the successful running of playgroup and also presenting our accounts from the previous year.

The quorum for an Annual General Meeting shall be 30% of the members. For this purpose the membership is counted as the number of different families attending the meeting. This means we need 30% of our families to attend this meeting otherwise we cannot hold the meeting.

Please can you let us know if you are able to attend

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

We have lots of dates coming up and it won't be long before the Christmas fun begins 😊

AGM Wednesday 21st October details and Zoom invite above

Playgroup Photos - November 18th (see details above)