

### This week at pre-school

Dear Parents and Carers

Well the weeks seem to be flying by. The children have all enjoyed our week of family and pets. We found out about who our friends live with and the pets they have. We have talked about all of our loved ones, those we live with and those we can't see as much. The children have adapted really well to the new routines, and registration time has been successful with the help of our 'hello song' and actions.

After half term we will be introducing self-registration for the children in order to promote name recognition. The board and Velcro names are ready and waiting.

Themes for the next month are as follows.

#### **OCTOBER: The Farm**

W/c 5th October - Farm Animals

W/c 12th October - Farm Vehicles

W/c 19th October - Farm crops, pumpkins, Halloween

We will be doing lots of different activities to promote the ages and stages of development in line with the EYFS.

The last week of term will be spooktacular. With music, dancing and some "smashing" fun.

Also just a reminder that we are now open on Fridays, which means we offer the full 30 hours funding and will be running collections from CSG nursery after half term for FIVE days a week! Please contact [csg\\_playgroup@btinternet.com](mailto:csg_playgroup@btinternet.com) for availability.





**Just a  
reminder...**

### CHANGE OF HOURS

If you want to increase or change your hours after half term the deadline is **FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**. Hayley will be sorting out next half terms invoices this week. Please email Hayley [csg\\_playgroup@btinternet.com](mailto:csg_playgroup@btinternet.com) if you wish to make any changes.



**\*\*GOOD NEWS\*\***

**AFTER HALF TERM WE WILL BE  
COLLECTING FROM CSG NURSERY  
EVERY DAY INCLUDING FRIDAYS.**

**PICK UP SERVICE FROM CSG  
NURSERY £5.50**

Pre school is open until 3pm  
Your child can continue to learn through  
play with us at the village pre school.

**£19.50 12-3**

Limited spaces available please email  
[csg\\_playgroup@btinternet.com](mailto:csg_playgroup@btinternet.com) for more  
details and to book your child's space.

### WELLIES

Wellies are essential for splashing in puddles and great for our walks. But please can we ask that children don't wear wellies to pre-school. Wellies are not appropriate footwear for their usual activities in and around the setting. If you want your child to wear wellies for walks then please bring them in their bags, making sure they have your child's name in the



Don't forget to find us on Facebook for updates, reminders, home learning ideas and much more!  
<https://www.facebook.com/csgplaygroup/>

# Christmas Mini Photoshoot

We are pleased to announce Snap Happy Babies are joining  
Chalfont 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](http://www.facebook.com/snaphappybabies)

## PLAYGROUP PHOTOS – Date for the diary:18<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](mailto: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 will not be disappointed, I used them last year (see photos)



## AGM Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October details and Zoom invite to follow

We will be holding our AGM (Annual General Meeting) on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

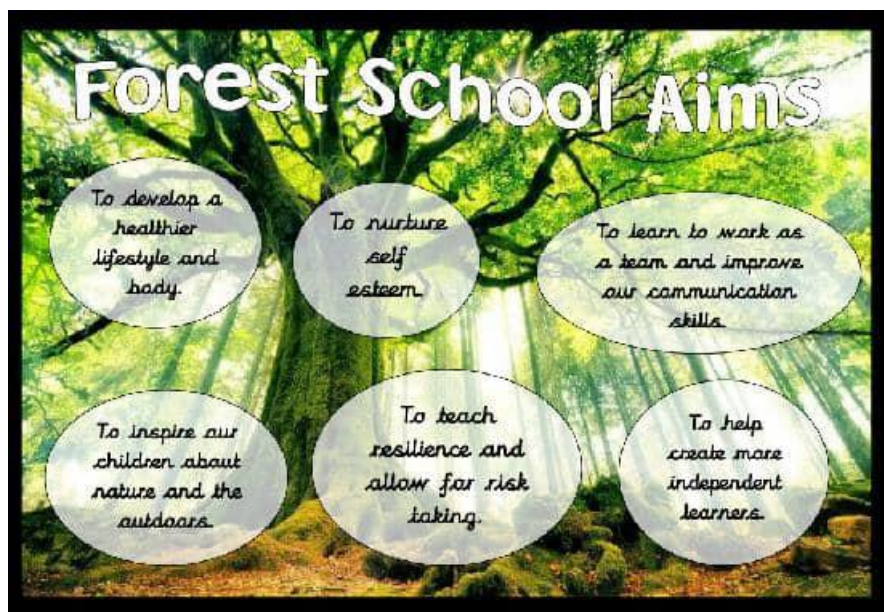
This is a great opportunity to meet the trustees and ask any questions you may have. This year we will be discussing issues central to the successful running of playgroup and also presenting our accounts from the previous year.

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. The meeting should be no longer than 30 minutes (Zoom Invite will be sent via Tapestry).

## FOREST SCHOOL THURSDAY 12-3PM

Don't forget to book your place via [csg\\_playgroup@btinternet.com](mailto:csg_playgroup@btinternet.com). Limited spaces are available.



### MEET THE TEAM

Meet our admin team who work hard behind the scenes at playgroup.

#### SARAH ELDRIDGE ADMIN MANAGER

My name is Sarah and I'm a proud Mother of two boys Olly and Archie. I started my working life as an MFL teacher at Dr Challoner's for Boys. I then went on to be a student achievement manager within the MFL department at Waddesdon C of E school. After marrying my husband Steve in Cyprus, I became the head of languages at the Cavendish School in Hemel, where I also became an associate assistant head before having my first born Olly. I have always wanted to be a teacher and whilst working at all of the schools I continued to learn how much I loved teaching children and helping them become all round young adults in the big wide world.

Through my working life, I have always had a passion for children and education and I knew that after having Olly I wanted to get back out there and support young learners. I began tutoring GCSE, primary and even toddlers. This has been great because it has kept my brain ticking whilst bringing up Olly. I also took on the role of a trustee at CSG playgroup, because I wasn't busy enough! It is there that I got involved in fundraising and supporting the staff at playgroup. So when the role of admin manager came up it seemed perfect, even with a new-born baby!

I don't have many hobbies these days unless you include exercising, cleaning, online shopping and meeting friends for a "quick" coffee! I used to dance and maybe one day when my boys are older I will get the ballet shoes back on!

## HAYLEY SOUTHGATE ADMIN MANAGER

Hello I am Hayley and I have been involved in the play group as a parent, a trustee and more recently Administration Manager. My eldest daughter Maisy attended the play group back in 2017/2018 & my youngest Connor who is 3 currently attends.

My back ground is that I grew up in Chalfont St Peter and my first proper job was within a Human Resources team within the financial industry. I continued to work within this particular HR team for 10 years where I took on a variety of different roles. Following the birth of my daughter Maisy I decided not to return to my HR role and have since then been a stay at home mum.

More recently I have been looking to get myself back into the world of working but I wanted a role that was local to home and that's when the administration manager role came available.

## Important Dates and Upcoming Events

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

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Playgroup Photos - November 18<sup>th</sup> (see details above)