



Penhill Playgroup Newsletter
April 2021



Welcome back, we hope you all enjoyed a lovely Easter break and not too much chocolate!

Thanks to your support last term, we raised £18 for the Playgroup from World Book Day, which is being spent on literacy resources; sent £15 to Comic Relief for dressing up on Red Nose Day and our Easter Raffle and cake sale raised over £200! Thank you if you supported any of these fundraising initiatives and congratulations if you were winner.

This half term, our themes are: weather, the Three Little Pigs, shapes, transport, walk to school week and life cycles/growing and changing. If you have any unwanted shoe boxes at home, we would be grateful to have them for our role play shoe shop in a few weeks time.

We are pleased to announce that our Tuesday Stay and Play sessions have returned. They run from 12.30pm - 2.30pm, but are limited to 15 adults per session, so we are asking people to book in advance. If you know any families with young children who might appreciate the opportunity to play and socialise once a week, please let them know, or ask for a flyer to pass on. Social distancing must be maintained between adults from different households or support bubbles, but the children are able to mix. Initially we are unable to let Playgroup families stay and have their lunch in the hall before the group, due the extra cleaning we need to do, but will review this decision over the coming weeks.

As the weather (hopefully) continues to warm up, please apply suncream to your child before Playgroup and if your child is able to bring their own sunhat, this would be preferable, although we do have hats here if they don't have one or forget theirs.

We are now able to hold individual face to face meetings with parents and carers to discuss how your child's learning and development is progressing and to give you the opportunity to look through your child's Learning Journal, which is a record of their progress and achievements. At present these can only take place after the morning session has finished on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday. If you would prefer to have a telephone conversation, this can also be arranged. Please let Katie know if you would be interested and we will arrange a mutually convenient date and time.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 3 rd May	Closed for May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 31 st May - Friday 4 th June	Closed for Half Term
Tuesday 20 th July	Last day of summer term
Wednesday 21 st July	Party for children moving on to school

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