



Buckden Pre-School Playgroup

A place for Children to grow, to learn and to flourish

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Newsletter –February 2016

Preschool roundup

This month has been a very colourful one celebrating Chinese New Year. The children explored the colours of the dragons and made money wallets too. Our Sukkah was decorated with Chinese lanterns and fire crackers and some of the children had their faces painted with monkeys. A big thank you to the parents who came to support the pancake races, the children had a blast competing against one another on the obstacle course and there were some talented flippers too! The hearts were just lovely so thank you to the parents who took the time to decorate and return them. The children loved looking at them in group time and sharing with their friends.

Welcome

A very big welcome to Andy and Alannah who start with us this month, we hope they settle into preschool life and are soon making lots of friends and having fun.



Happy Birthday to you!

Birthday wishes to Jack who turns 3 and Libby who turns 4 this month, we hope you both have lovely birthdays 😊



Late pickups

Can we please remind you of the importance of picking your child up on time. We understand there may be times when you are running late and we would appreciate a call or text to let us know on these occasions. If you are

continuously late this can upset your child and also impact on some of our staff who have their own children to collect from school. We really don't want to have to start applying late charges to people so please leave in plenty of time to pick your child up. We would also ask that if you pick your child up before 3pm you remain outside and wait for the staff to bring your child to the door and feedback to you there. We would ask that you don't come into the preschool and allow your child to continue playing, this adds additional pressure to staff who then need to ensure any parents on site are supervised and detracts from the care they should be giving the children. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding on these matters.



Forthcoming events

We will be hosting an Easter egg hunt on the 24th March at the preschool.

We are asking for a donation of £1 and all children will receive a chocolate egg for taking part. For more information, please have a look at our Facebook page or ask in preschool for a flyer.

Term dates

2016

Spring Term Closes: Thursday 24th March

Summer Term Opens: Monday 11th April

May Day: Monday 2nd May

Half Term: 30th May – 3rd June

Summer Term Closes: Friday 15th July

Professional Days: Monday 18th July, Tuesday 19th July and Wednesday 20th July, Thursday 21st

Autumn term opens: Thursday 1st September

Half term: 24th -28th October

Autumn term closes: Tuesday 20th December

Committee round up

A warm welcome to all the new children and their parents. I am sure they will enjoy their time at Buckden Preschool. As always I am appealing to parents to become more involved. Although our committee is now seven strong we will still require new helpers. If you would like to become more involved please speak to our manager, Michelle or approach Natalie who is Lolly's mum and is the preschool committee member responsible for parent liaison.

We continue to provide new facilities for the children which include technological improvements and updated toys and equipment. Our parents notice board will indicate these items also the means by which they were funded. The information on the board shows the future fundraising events which we hope as many of you as possible will be involved in.

Alan Scott, Chairperson Buckden Preschool.