



Newsletter June 2014

To All Parent/Carers

You will be glad to know that this is the last newsletter for this term. It has been another busy one and we have had great fun indoors and outdoors. The staff feel privileged being part of your children's development and it is a delight to see them flourish with confidence and growing into independent learners.

We sadly say goodbye to our pre-schoolers, Aaron C, Aaron D, Austin, Beth, Bronwyn, Emily, Jakub and Vinnie. Most of them have been at Old Rayne Playgroup since they were 2 ½ years old. We would like to wish them well in their transition to school. We also say goodbye to Harris and Nancy who are moving to Inch School Nursery and wish them well on their new adventures. There is no doubt the staff will have a tear in their eye at the end of term.



The children have suggested they would like a water fun day!

As there was no objection to the above, we plan to go ahead this **Thursday** (19th June). **Please ensure that your child/ren bring a full change of clothes and a towel with them!** They will not be in the garden area; however we intend to use this opportunity to wash the outdoor toys, so they may get a wee bit dirty!

School Transition

We plan to visit the school playground with the pre-schoolers a few times before the end of term to build the children's confidence on the equipment there. If anyone has a spare ½ hour any morning please let us know as this will allow us to go more often.

Share a Session

So far only two parents has taken up on this offer. There are still some days left if you would like to join your child one morning.

During Nikki's time within the session she has been working with the children printing and sewing a patchwork quilt which we hope to drape in the Annexe next term.

Story Packs

We are now collecting all the story packs in for this term and plan to revamp them for next term. If you still have a story pack, please return to playgroup.

Health and Safety Policy

Please can I remind you that any comments you may have on the Health and Safety Policy are given by the 19th June to allow any amendments to be made.

The Committee

We would like to take this opportunity in thanking all the present members of the Committee for all their time and dedication. It has been a very busy year and they have worked hard, especially with fund raising which has put the group in a very buoyant position to start the next term.

A.G.M

This will commence on **Tuesday 24th June** at Brandish, Lawrence Road, Old Rayne, at 7.30pm. This is Nikki Cousins house and is 3 doors along from Poppies Hairdressers on the left.

End of Term Trip

We are now going on a bus to **Collieston Beach** on **Thursday 3rd July**. All present children and their parent/carers and siblings are welcome. The staff will be attending but will not be included in any child:adult ratio, this will allow them to be more flexible in supporting you and your children.

At the beach there are public toilets and a shop which sells tea/coffee, ice cream, sweets and beach type toys. All playgroup children will be receiving a bucket and spade set on the day as their end of term gift. The staff will also be providing some nets for rock pool exploring. A permission letter will follow shortly.

End of Term Show/Presentation

This year's show will show case the Pre-school children's favourite rhymes and songs we have shared this year followed by a presentation of certificates for all the children. Teas and coffees will be served as you arrive. Please can we ask for the last time this year for some volunteers with baking and clearing up afterwards?

Dates for your Diary:

Playgroup Trip: Thursday 3rd July

End of Term Show: Friday 4th July

Kind Regards Yvonne, Sinead, Heather, Kathleen and Alison Ritchie (EYT)