

# WINYATES PLAYGROUP

## Newsletter

May 2017

Welcome to the May newsletter of Winyates Playgroup, and a special welcome to all the new children and their parents/carers. Our newsletter is produced so that we can let you know what the children will be doing in the coming months and provide you with information about the playgroup.

### Activities

This term the children will be concentrating:-  
Growing and looking at where food is produced.

Different foods will be sent home for you to share with the children.

Malleable and Messy play. This means the children will be exploring and experimenting with different textures and substances.

### Health and Safety

Whatever the weather head lice can always be a problem. Don't Panic!

Our staff can advise you of the appropriate action to take.

If our staff detects any signs of head lice a notice displayed at the entrance of playgroup.

If live lice are found the parent / carer will be contacted and asked to immediately collect their child from Playgroup. If your child has sickness and, or diarrhoea please leave **48 hours** after recovery before sending them back to Playgroup.

Please inform us when **ANYONE DIFFERENT** is picking up your child, or if you are going to be late. Please keep the playgroup up to date on current contact details.

As we only have limited space in the reception area we cannot accommodate bikes, pushchairs etc.

Please remember to sign the medication book if you want nappy cream or medication used in playgroup.

### Healthy Eating

We are still promoting Healthy Eating in the group, by providing fresh fruit daily. Please support us by encouraging healthier options within your child packed lunches. **No sweets or chocolates please.** Please wrap food in food bags, foil or cling film. The leftover food is wrapped up and sent home, so you know what your child has eaten. Please supply your child with adequate drinks, they are allowed one third of a pint of milk free per day. We provide water if your child's drink has run out. If your child is at playgroup all day, make sure the packed lunch has an ice block in it. Spoons for yoghurts will be provided. **Could you please peel, cut up pieces of fruit and halve grapes, so they are ready for your children to eat.** Thank you.

### Comments Book

We invite you to make use of our 'Comments' book. Your views and ideas are always welcome. Also please feel free to discuss any problems or queries with a member of staff. We have had good feedback about putting the

coat and lunch box trolley's outside after group, it has reduced congestion in the reception.

### Playgroup Fee's

Fees must be paid on a weekly basis.

### Reminders

Please **name** all lunch boxes, flasks and coats. Please supply Nappies and wipes, if your child is not toilet trained.

### Thank You

Could we take this opportunity to thank all the parents that have donated different items? We do appreciate your kind thoughts.

### Journals

You are always welcome to view your child's journal and discuss your child's/children's progress. Would any parent like us to set up a parent evening to discuss your child's progress?

### Things we need

Wallpaper and paper.

### Lateness

Could you make sure all contact numbers are up to date, also please could we have an alternative contact number we could contact if there had been an incident. Our policy is if a child has been left after 1 hour and no contact with parents has been established the local police will be informed. Also, regular lateness is going to be charged for by every 15 minutes. We close at 2.50pm.

### Holidays

We are closed after session on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May** and return Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

### Absences

Could you please inform us about absences and keep us up to date with contact details.

