

## Dates for the Diary

### September 2023 until July 2024

- ❖ During the year we like to have “Celebration of nations day” when we learn about other cultures, traditions and celebrations. We would like to base these on the nationalities of the families at playgroup, so please do let us know if there are celebrations or traditions unique to your family that we could learn about and celebrate at playgroup.
- ❖ You will notice Committee meetings throughout the year. Please feel free to attend or speak to a member of staff if you are interested in joining the committee.
- ❖ If you can and would like to help us with fundraising or special events at playgroup, then please also let us know as we are always grateful for extra help.
- ❖ *Please note these dates are a guide and could change for a diverse range of reasons. We will endeavour to give you plenty of notice of any changes.*

## September to October - Term 1

Themes for the term around: **"How we want the World to be"**

- ❖ Knowing our Golden Rules.
- ❖ Making friendships.
- ❖ Talking about our emotions.
- ❖ Using the language of feelings.
- ❖ Being respectful to one another.
- ❖ Valuing each other's similarities and differences.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Training Day	Staff training day Staff meeting and preparation for term ahead. Playgroup is closed.
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>**Term Starts**</b>	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Show and tell	Children in on that day can bring in something to show or tell us about something special.
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> September to Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Weekly Zumba sessions	<b>9.30 to 10.30am 30 minute sessions for each room – additional charge of £1 per week</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	AGM - Committee	<b>6pm at Playgroup All parents and carers are welcome to attend.</b> New members of the committee are voted in and reports from the previous year are given at this meeting.
Week Commencing Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parent's Reading Week	<b>11.45am &amp; 2.30pm</b> Please sign up to come in and read a story. Further information available closer to the date.
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Bring a family member to preschool day	<b>10am until 11am and 1:30pm until 2:30pm</b> *for children who are usually in on this day*
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>**Last day of Term**</b>	

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## October to December - Term 2

Themes for the term around: **"How we want the World to be"**

- ❖ Learning to share
- ❖ Understanding right and wrong
- ❖ Beginning to understand that actions have consequences
- ❖ Learning about how to keep ourselves safe

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Week Commencing Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>**Term Starts**</b> <b>Optional fancy dress and activities around Halloween, Diwali and Bonfire Night as relevant to the children's experiences.</b>	<b>All Week</b>
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> November to Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Weekly Zumba sessions</b>	<b>9.30 to 10.30am 30 minute sessions for each room – additional charge of £1 per week</b>
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	<b>Show and Tell</b>	<i>Children in on that day can bring in something to show or tell us about something special.</i>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Committee Meeting</b>	<b>6pm</b> at Playgroup ( <i>all welcome</i> )
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Welcome meeting for families of children starting after Christmas</b>	<b>1pm</b> in the Foyer
Week commencing Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Parent's Reading Week</b>	<b>10.45am &amp; 2.30pm</b> <i>Please email the office to let us know when you'd like to come in.</i>
Week commencing Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Parents Information Week</b>	An opportunity to share and celebrate your child's progress
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Bring a family member to preschool day</b>	<b>10am until 11am and 1:30pm until 2:30pm</b> *for children who are usually in on this day*
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Christmas Singalong</b>	<b>4:30pm at playgroup</b> Join us to sing songs around the Christmas tree and enjoy the Christmas lights.
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>**Last day of Term**</b>	

## January to February - Term 3

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Themes for the term around: **“How we want the World to be”**

- ❖ Talking about our emotions
- ❖ Using the language of feelings
  - ❖ Developing our self-esteem
    - ❖ Feeling self-confident
- ❖ Having a growing sense of self awareness
  - ❖ Taking risks
  - ❖ Having a go
  - ❖ Joining in

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Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Training Day	Staff training day. Playgroup is closed.
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	<b>**Term Starts**</b>	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Weekly Zumba sessions	<b>9.30 to 10.30am 30 minute sessions for each room – additional charge of £1 per week</b>
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	Show and Tell	Children in on that day can bring in something to show or tell us about something special.
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	Bring a family member to preschool day	<b>10am until 11am and 1:30pm until 2:30pm</b> *for children who are usually in on this day*
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Committee Meeting	<b>6pm</b> at Playgroup (all welcome)
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Fundraising cake sale	<b>11.45am and 2.45pm</b>
Week commencing 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent's Reading Week	<b>10.45am &amp; 2.45pm</b> Please email the office to let us know when you'd like to come in.
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>**Last day of Term**</b>	

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### February to April - Term 4

Themes for the term around: **“How we want the World to be”**

- ❖ Talking about our emotions
- ❖ Using the language of feelings
- ❖ Developing our self-esteem
  - ❖ Feeling self-confident
- ❖ Having a growing sense of self awareness.
  - ❖ Taking risks, having a go, joining in

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Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>**Term Starts**</b>	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February to Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Weekly Zumba sessions</b>	<b>9.30 to 10.30am 30 minute sessions for each room</b>
Week Commencing Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Parent's Reading Week</b>	<b>10.45am &amp; 2.45pm</b> Please email the office to let us know when you'd like to come in.
Week beginning 26 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>World Book Week &amp; Sponsored Reading event</b> <i>More details to follow.</i>	<b>*fancy dress optional*</b> <i>Trips to Old Town Library and local book shop to be arranged that week.</i>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Welcome meeting for families of children starting after Easter</b>	<b>1pm in the Foyer.</b>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Bring a family member to preschool day</b>	<b>10am until 11am</b> *for children who are usually in on this day*
Week commencing Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Parents Information Week</b>	*an opportunity to share and celebrate your child's progress*
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Committee Meeting</b>	<b>6pm</b> at Playgroup ( <i>all welcome</i> )
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Show and Tell</b>	<i>Children in on that day can bring in something to show or tell us about something special.</i>
Week commencing Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Significant 'female' adult stay and play week</b> <i>An important female family member or friend can come to play: Mums, Grannies, Aunties, Godmothers etc welcome.</i>	<b>10am until 11am and 1pm until 2pm</b> <i>Please email to let us know if someone is planning to attend</i>
Week beginning 25 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Easter fun</b> <i>A hunt for famous bunnies in the garden and various related activities.</i>	Activities running throughout the week
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>**Last day of Term**</b>	
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Training Day</b>	<i>Staff training day. Playgroup is closed.</i>

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## April to May - Term 5

Themes for the term around: **“How we want the World to be”**

- ❖ Being listened to and feeling valued
- ❖ Being encouraged and allowed to make our own choices
  - ❖ Valuing each other's similarities and differences
- ❖ Understanding how to be healthy in mind and body (including our “Being Healthy” project)
  - ❖ Being independent
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Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>**Term Starts**</b>	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April to Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	<b>Weekly Zumba sessions</b>	<b>9.30 to 10.30am 30 minute sessions for each room</b>
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Show and Tell</b>	<i>Children in on that day can bring in something to show or tell us about something special.</i>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Bank holiday</b>	<b>Playgroup is closed.</b>
Week commencing Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Parent's Reading Week</b>	<i>10.45am &amp; 2.45pm Please email the office to let us know when you'd like to come in.</i>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Bring a family member to preschool day</b>	<i>10am until 11am and 1:30pm until 2:30pm *for children who are usually in on this day*</i>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<b>Committee Meeting</b>	<i>6pm at Playgroup (all welcome)</i>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>**Last day of Term**</b>	

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### May to July - Term 6

Themes for the term around: **“How we want the World to be”**

- ❖ Being listened to and feeling valued.
- ❖ Being encouraged and allowed to make our own choices.
- ❖ Valuing each other's similarities and differences.
- ❖ Understanding how to be healthy in mind and body (including our “Being Healthy” project).
- ❖ Being independent.

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Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>**Term Starts**</b>	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June to Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	<b>Weekly Zumba sessions</b>	<b>9.30 to 10.30am 30 minute sessions for each room</b>
Week Commencing Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Parent's Reading Week</b>	<b>10.45am &amp; 2.45pm</b> Please email the office to let us know when you'd like to come in.
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Significant 'male' adult stay and play week</b> An important male family member or friend can come to play: Dads, Grandads, Uncles, Godfathers etc welcome	<b>10am until 11am and 1pm until 2pm</b> Please email to let us know if someone is planning to attend
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Training Day</b> <b>Welcome meeting for families of children starting in September</b>	Playgroup is closed. <b>11am in Oak room</b>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Parents Information Week</b>	*an opportunity to share and celebrate your child's progress*
	<b>Show and Tell</b>	Children in on that day can bring in something to show or tell us about something special.
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	<b>Committee Meeting</b>	<b>6pm</b> at Playgroup (all welcome)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Bring a family member to preschool day</b>	<b>10am until 11am and 1:30pm until 2:30pm</b> *for children who are usually in on this day*
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Pre-school special event</b>	An end of year treat for the children.
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>School Leavers Event</b>	<b>4pm to 5.30pm</b>
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>**Last Day of Term**</b>	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Training Day</b>	Playgroup is closed.

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