

Box Pre-School Playgroup

Learning through creativity and play



Newsletter – September 2025

Welcome back!

We hope you had a great Summer. A big welcome to all our new starters and their families.

We start back with a cars and trains topic. If your child has a favourite toy car, train, or transport book, they are welcome to bring it in to share at Circle Time.

Don't forget you can upload your own photos on Tapestry as we enjoy seeing things that the children do outside pre-school.



Staffing

We say goodbye to Jess and wish her the best with her change of career. Every child will receive a letter confirming their keyworker. You are welcome to make an appointment with me to see your keyworker at a mutually convenient time.

AGM and Committee

We will be organising a date for our Annual General Meeting at the end of September. We are looking for new Committee members. The Committee assists the team in the running of the pre-school. It meets every couple of months to help organise fundraising events, manage finances, approve and source funding for resources, equipment, and staffing.

We have held many successful fundraising events in recent years including Santa's Grotto.

Being part of the Committee is not an onerous task! It's a fun and rewarding way of helping the pre-school to function.

If you interested in joining or have any questions, please speak to Yvonne.

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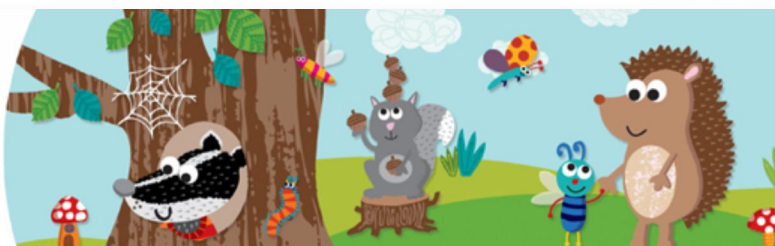


Attendance

Please let us know if your child will miss a session(s) due to planned holidays, days out, or sickness. The easiest way is to email us at boxpreschoolplaygroup@googlemail.com or phone 01225 743794.

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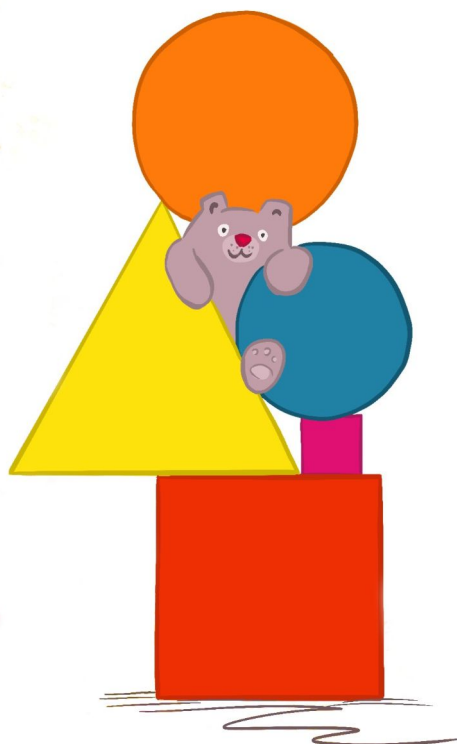
Easy Fundraising

At the start of each academic year we like to remind our current parents and inform our new parents that we are registered with **Easy Fundraising** where, through our charitable status, Box Pre-School receives donations from the day-to-day online purchases of our supporters. Thanks to everyone who has signed up, our current grand total since registering is **£737.23!**

It is stating the obvious that this is hugely beneficial to our pre-school, and it is all raised from online purchases that our supporters would have been making anyway - so it really is "for free".

This is such an effective fundraising opportunity, since it works with over 7,000 online retailers and it is really easy via a web browser extension, which automatically detects if the retailer is part of the scheme. Please continue to support this and encourage family and friends to join in too. Just scan the QR code shown here or use the link below:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/box-pre-school-playgroup/>



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Safety

Mobile Phones – Due to Ofsted requirements, please don't use mobile phones on the premises or in the outside area.

Toilets – If you need to take your child to the toilet, please check with a member of staff first.

Injuries – Please let us know if your child has an injury so that we can complete a pre-existing injuries form.

Covid-19 and other infectious diseases – children should stay at home for three days if they test positive for Covid-19. If your child develops a high temperature they should stay at home until they are better. In cases of sickness and diarrhoea please return to playgroup 48 hours (minimum) after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

Absences – Let us know by email or telephone if your child will be absent.

Diary Dates

Start of Term 1 – Monday 1st September

Sports Sessions – Every Tuesday morning

AGM – to be advised

End of Term 1 – Wednesday 22nd October

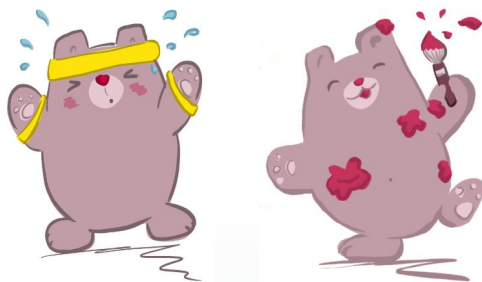
Start of Term 2 – Monday 3rd November

Staff

Supervisor/Manager–Yvonne Jenkinson

Deputy Supervisor–Sarah Vick

Playgroup Assistants–Isabel Lopez, Sarah-Jane Woods, Katie Smith, Caroline Kirkwood, and Gemma Moore



Committee

Chair–Sally Weymouth

Treasurer–Emily Aspin

Secretary–Hannah Tape

Other committee members–
Jerry Watkins

Ofsted representative–Yvonne Jenkinson



Contacting Us

During session time (8:30–15:00), please telephone us on **01225 743794** for anything urgent as we cannot regularly monitor email.

Outside session time, please email boxpreschoolplaygroup@googlemail.com