Box Pre-School Playgroup

Learning through creativity and play



Newsletter – November 2026

Welcome back!

Our upcoming theme will be Trains and Transport. The children will explore different types of trains, learn about journeys and destinations, and take part in fun train-themed activities. We will enjoy stories, creative crafts, role-play train journeys, and exciting opportunities to develop our language, imagination, and early mathematical skills. We would love to hear about any train journeys your child has been on.

We are looking forward to Christmas and the festivities. We are organising the Santa Grotto at the Box Christmas Market on Sunday 6th December. It was a fantastic success last year and well worth bringing the children along to meet Santa. If you can help, please let me know.



Parent afternoon – Wednesday 18th November 1-2:30pm

We are offering the chance for parents to come in on the afternoon of Wednesday 18th November for a ten-minute slot with their child's key-worker. You can bring children with you. Please let me know if you would like a slot.

Easy Fundraising

Did you know you can support us by raising money every time you shop online? And it doesn't cost a penny! With Christmas coming this is an easy way to raise funds – so far we have raised £1297.92 since starting the scheme.

This is such an effective fundraising opportunity, since it works with over 7,000 online retailers and it's 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.

Staff

Supervisor/Manager–Yvonne Jenkinson

Deputy Supervisor–Sarah Vick

Playgroup Assistants–Isabel Lopez, Sarah-Jane Woods, Katie Smith, Caroline Kirkwood (Bank staff)

Committee

Chair–Sally Weymouth

Treasurer–Emily Aspin

Secretary–Charlotte Mumme-Phippen

Other committee members–
Jerry Watkins, Hannah Antrobus, Olivia Vickers, Lucy Etcheverry, Hannah Gale

Ofsted representative–Yvonne Jenkinson

https://www.boxpre-schoolplaygroup.co.uk/index.php/about-us/meet-our-team

Diary Dates

Start of Term 2 – Monday 2nd November

Sports Sessions – Every Tuesday

Music with Jean – Tuesday 3rd November

Parent afternoon – Wednesday 18th November 1:00-2:30pm

Box Christmas Market – Sunday 6th December at Selwyn Hall

Little Acorns Christmas Party – Tuesday 15th December at Corsham Gymnastics

End of Term 2 – Friday 18th December

Start of Term 3 – Monday 4th January





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