

# Box Pre-School Playgroup

Learning through creativity and play



## Newsletter – February 2026

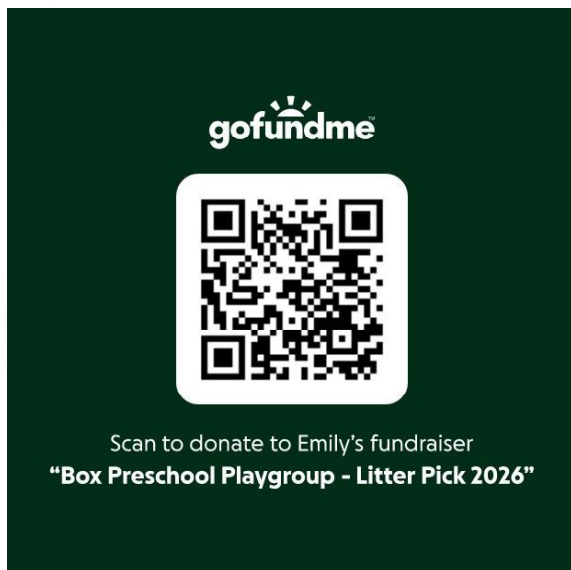
### Welcome back!

We hope you had a restful half term. We start this term with a **space** topic and then the children will be exploring **life cycles**, and celebrating **Easter** through stories, songs, hands-on activities, and creative play.



### Litter pick

To raise funds for new soft furnishings including a new carpet for story time and to keep our communities tidy we are taking part in a litter pick. Printed letters and forms have gone out but all the details and ability to pay online are on our **gofundme** page.



### Sessions in September 2026

Thank you to everyone who has already confirmed sessions for September 2026. We expect to be busy in September so if you could let us know your requirements as soon as possible. The **Tuesday Little Acorns** session is available for those starting school in September 2027.

### World Book Day

This is on **Thursday 5th March** and children are welcome to wear costumes all week if they would like. We will be celebrating by reading some of our favourite books.



### Easy Fundraising

It is now possible to link a debit or credit card to your **Easy fundraising** app so when you pay with the linked card at participating stores, donations are triggered automatically. You don't pay any extra but the retailers donate. To link your card go to the Easy fundraising app and select the instore button at the bottom and then select "link card".

### Staffing

We say a fond farewell to Gemma who is increasing her hours as a nanny. We wish her all the best for the future.

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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 4** – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

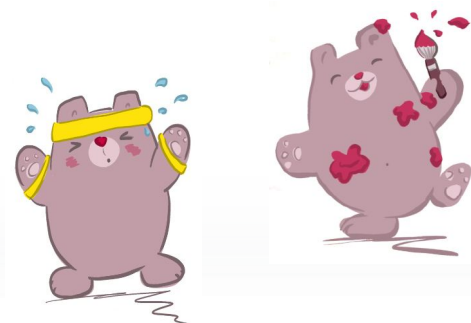
**Sports Sessions** – Every Tuesday

**World Book Day** – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

**End of Term 4** – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

**Start of Term 5** – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April

**End of Term 5** – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May



## Staff

**Supervisor/Manager**–Yvonne Jenkinson

**Deputy Supervisor**–Sarah Vick

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

## Committee

**Chair**–Sally Weymouth

**Treasurer**–Emily Aspin

**Secretary**–Charlotte Mumme-Phippen

**Other committee members**–  
Jerry Watkins, Hannah Antrobus

**Ofsted representative**–Yvonne Jenkinson

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## 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](mailto:boxpreschoolplaygroup@googlemail.com)