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NEWSLETTER

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What are we up to at playgroup?

We like sharing your child's learning and experiences at playgroup with you and we hope that you enjoy receiving these regular updates via *Tapestry*. If you have any questions about using your child's online learning journal on *Tapestry* please speak to your child's keyworker or send us an email.

What about at home?

We love learning about what your children do at home, too. *Tapestry* can also be used for this or, of course, you can always fill in a High 5 slip with your child's achievement or news for them to bring in and share with us!

A New Year, A New Look ...

Some of you may have noticed that the logo has changed. The new bear is not just a logo. We have a real teddy bear (that looks just like this bear!) for the children to have at Playgroup and to bring home for adventures! There's only one problem—the new bear doesn't have a name! We thought that it would be a nice idea for the children to choose the name. We will be having a lucky dip to name the bear (and raise money for Playgroup): 20p to submit a name and you can suggest as many names as you like! The new bear will also be on any uniforms purchased from now, but old uniforms can still be worn of course. Look out for the new bear at Playgroup, on Facebook, on our new website and around Feltwell too!

Hugo Bear our Playgroup friend
Is old and tired too
He wants to travel across the world
So has left a bear that's new

So take a break and off you go
to places far away
Have lots of fun, enjoy yourself
now's your time to play

So lets say goodbye to Hugo Bear
and welcome the teddy for us to share.

Dates for your diary!

Bingo! - 24th Feb. 2018

7:00 doors open, 7:30 eyes down

Term Dates

Last day of Playgroup: Friday 9th Feb.
Return to Playgroup: Monday 19th Feb.

HAPPINESS IS YELLING BINGO!

Great news! Feltwell Playgroup's Bingo evening will be on Saturday 24th February! Join us at Feltwell Social Club. 7:00 doors open, 7:30 eyes down. A big thank you to Leanne for organising the event.

Unfortunately some children at playgroup have recently had headlice. Headlice are largely harmless but they can live in the hair for a long time if not treated. This can be frustrating to deal with so we would urge you to treat the headlice if found. Please make sure you carefully follow the instructions that come with the treatment you choose. And, remember, headlice don't have a preference for dirty, clean, short or long hair.

Please remember to label your child's items: lunchboxes, clothes, coats, hats, etc. When there are lots of children it's not always easy to know what belongs to whom! Also, please don't forget to pack a spare set of (labelled!) clothes too: tops, bottoms, pants, knickers and socks! Spare shoes, when appropriate, are good to have ready too!

Waiting outside in the playground before Playgroup begins in the morning has been a great success—thank you for your support and co-operation. This idea was suggested by some parents. If you have your own comments or suggestions please use the new comment box in Playgroup to let us know.

Do you sometimes struggle to think of what to put in your child's lunchbox? You can always look on the change4life website as it has many healthy and varied lunchbox ideas. The children have been sharing their lunchbox ideas at Playgroup too. Please try to remember to keep treats to a minimum—no more than one sweet or chocolate item is needed. We encourage you to share ideas on our Facebook page, too!

Would you like more sessions for your child at playgroup?

We have some childcare spaces available here at Feltwell Playgroup. If you are interested in more sessions, then please, just ask! We do offer the full 30 hours extended entitlement for those eligible and all 3/4 year olds are entitled to 15 funded hours each week.

Thank you to everyone who pays their fees on time.

Please remember that fees must be paid in advance of sessions attended. Fees must be paid from at least the beginning of the first session your child attends that week. However if you would like to pay monthly, half-termly or termly in advance, please ask for a total. If your child is absent (half fees are payable in this instance) then any money remaining from what has been paid in advance will be credited to your account. You now have the option to pay directly into the playgroup's bank account. We have a help sheet for this on Facebook or please ask for a paper copy if you would like one.

Did you know that you that the Playgroup has a new website?

Simply search online for 'Feltwell Playgroup' and it should give you a link! Our website is new but will hopefully grow with your support and involvement! As well as the website, and Facebook, relevant information will continue to be sent to you via email. If you have not received anything so far then please make sure we have your correct email address.