



Marshfield Monkeys Playgroup

February 2016 Newsletter

Our theme this term is 'Spring'.

Our celebrations will include St David's Day, Mother's Day and Easter.

Our planning as always involves lots of activities and learning inside and outside. Children will need to bring a warm coat and wellington boots every day to playgroup. Please ensure your child's belongings are labelled, this includes their coat, wellies, bags and lunch box if staying for lunch. *Children have access to outdoor play in all weathers, your child will need to bring a warm coat to playgroup every day please.*

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 1st March

We will be celebrating St David's Day, children are invited to come dressed in red or Welsh costume.

w/c Monday 20th March Red Nose Day

Children are invited to join in with a sponsored bounce, we'll also have Red Noses for sale at £1 each. Friday 24th March children are welcome to come in fancy dress for some fun Red Nose day activities.

w/c 3rd April Easter celebrations

Children will be taking part in our Easter celebrations with an Easter Egg hunt and Easter bonnet parade – more details to follow.

Staff News

We would like to welcome Zoe, our new breakfast and lunch club assistant to Monkeys. Vicky O has completed Autism Spectrum Disorder awareness and Safeguarding training. Lauren has completed Autism Spectrum Disorder awareness training. Thank you to Nicola and Cheryl for their amazing 5 year commitment to Monkeys. Congratulations to Vicky P on the arrival of our first baby monkey 'Lily'. Mother and baby are doing well.

Diolch yn Fawr

Thank you to Delyth and Missy from Vets4Pets and Caleb's dad and Duffryn Fire Station for visiting Monkeys last term,

Fund Raising

We are putting a team together to run, jog, walk this years' Cardiff half marathon Sunday 1st October on behalf of '19'. This local charity aims to promote mental health awareness for young people. If you would like to sign up then please send us an email and we'll send you the link. If you have already registered, send us your details and we can add you to the team. So far we have an amazing 20 runners in our team, the more the merrier!.



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May Half Term Holiday Club Tuesday 30th May to Friday 2nd June.

Please see booking form below to reserve a place. Children who have circled 'Term time inc holidays' on their contracts will have a place reserved and will be charged their normal fee.

We are also taking bookings for our Summer holiday club Monday 24th July to Friday 11th August, booking forms are available on our website or in playgroup.

Amser Snac – Snack Time



Please remember to bring in a piece of fruit each session for your child to share with their friends at snack time, to be put in the fruit bowl upon arrival.

Choking hazards

For children bringing packed lunches to playgroup please can parents/carers ensure that grapes and cherry tomatoes are cut up/quartered in advance.

Please note grapes are cut up before being offered to the children at snack time.

More information can be found at www.rospea.com

DON'T RISK IT, QUARTER IT



Choking is one of the leading causes of death for children under 3. Even if your child is confident eating solid foods, a grape or a cherry tomato is just the right size to get stuck in their windpipe.

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Illness Policy

Just a reminder, our illness policy as required by CSSIW states children should not attend playgroup if they are unwell or have been unwell.

e.g. Sickness/diarrhoea 48hr exclusion after the last symptoms.

Emergency Childcare

Please feel free to contact playgroup if you have an emergency childcare need, these are additional one off sessions outside your contracted sessions subject to availability. Normal fees apply plus a £2.50 admin fee per request

Painting Day

Friday 21st April (during the Easter break) we are looking for volunteers to help paint the garden fence. We would be very grateful for some help if you can spare a few hours.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available from 7.45 – 9.00 £6.50/£5.00 including breakfast.

Please note children need to arrive into playgroup by 8.30am at the latest to be able to eat their breakfast before our morning session starts at 9.00am.



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Car Parking

The car park is only open to parents/carers dropping off or collecting their child from Marshfield Monkeys Playgroup that day.

Parents are responsible for the supervision of their children walking to and from the car. Please park safely and do not obstruct the building or exit of the car park. Three disabled parking spaces are available at the front of the building, *please respect these and only park in them if you carry a disability car sticker.*

Our staff have witnessed children not being securely seated when travelling by car to/from playgroup. We have a duty of care to the children and will record any such incidents.

Invoices

Invoices have been issued until Fri 7/4/17 payment is required by **10/03/17** please.

For parents wishing to pay online, our bank details are included on your child's invoice, please put your child's name in the reference so we can track payment and sign the payments book when using this method.



We can accept Childcare Vouchers as payment towards fees, if you would like to pay your fees via your Company Voucher Scheme we are registered with the following voucher schemes:

Computershare Voucher services ref: 0017534914

Sodexo ref: 824633

Care4 ref: 97597216

Edenred ref: P20769318

Kiddivouchers ref: 46586

Fidelift: MAR624C

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You at Work Marshfield Monkeys Playgroup

Our CSSIW registration number is available upon request, the certificate is located above the cloak room.

WE ARE CLOSED FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAYS MONDAY 10TH April – FRIDAY 21ST April

If anyone is stuck for childcare over the Easter break, please contact Natasha who can put you in touch with local registered childminders who may have some availability.

Playgroup will re-open **Monday 24th April 7.45am.**

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MAY HOLIDAY CLUB BOOKING FORM

30th May – 2nd June 2017 from £26.00 per day for children aged 2 years to 7years 11months.

Baking, arts and craft, games and tennis, trips out to local parks and lots more fun activities. Please bring a lunch box and suitable clothing and sun cream for the weather. Breakfast and evening snack is included. Children will have access to drinking water at all times.

Child's Name..... Child's Date of Birth.....

(A registration form will need to be completed to accompany this booking form)

PLEASE WRITE IN THE TIMES YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO ATTEND.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Total £
Breakfast Club 7.45 -9.00 £6.50 8.00-9.00 £5.00	Closed BH					
All Day Session 9.00 – 3.30pm £26.00	Closed BH					
Evening Club 3.30pm-5.00pm £2.50per1/2hr	Closed BH					

(Normal term time rates will apply for those children who have signed a Term time including half term holidays contract)

Outings

I hereby give permission for my child to be taken on outings in to local parks.

Signed.....Date.....

Face Painting

I hereby give permission for my child to have his/her face painted.

Signed.....Date.....

MARSHFIELD MONKEYS HOLIDAY CLUB INVOICE 30th May - 2nd June 2017

Payment is required in advance to confirm sessions.

NAME OF CHILD.....

No. of Holiday Club Sessions.....

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.....

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY 05/05/17 please, sessions will be released for non-payment.

Please sign the fees book if payment by Cash/Cheque – Cheques payable to Marshfield Monkeys Playgroup

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Barclays Bank

Acc: 30433535

Sort Code: 20-18-15

Ref: Your child's name

Please ensure that your child is collected on time by the end of the session

Late collection will be recorded and charged at £1.00 per minute.