



Marshfield Monkeys Playgroup

January 2018 Newsletter

Happy New Year and welcome back everyone!
Marshfield Monkeys re-opens Monday 8th January.

This Term theme is 'Weather' 'Y Tywydd'

Our planning this term involves lots of activities and learning making the most of our indoor and outdoor environment. Please ensure **all** your child's belonging are labelled with their name, this includes their coats, uniform, wellies, hats, gloves, bags (on the outside please) and lunch box. Parents are reminded not to send their child to playgroup in new clothes as we do a lot of 'messy' play, the children are required to wear aprons but may still get their clothes dirty.

Our celebrations this term will include Saint Dwywen's Day, Chinese New Year and Valentines Day.

Recycling Please
Before your recycling is collected this Friday, please can you save your kitchen rolls, sweet tubes (with ends) and clear plastic bottles for some of our planned activities this term.



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.

Lunch Club

Parents are reminded to please cut grapes and tomatoes in half (lengthways) as they pose a choking hazard. They are the perfect size to completely block a child's windpipe. Uncut fruit will be removed from your child's lunch box and sent back home. Doing such a simple thing could potentially prevent such an accident.

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 it into the fruit bowl upon arrival.



Arrival and Departures

If you arrive late or need to collect your child early, please ring the Front door bell or phone Playgroup on **07874 232680**.
Reminder that late collection fees are charged at £1 per minute.



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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. **If you leave the car park after we have close at the end of the day, please can I request you put the chain across the gate. Thank you.**

September 2018

Keep an eye out for the Childcare Offer for Wales scheme. It's currently being piloted in other areas around Wales and will hopefully be available in our area this September. The Childcare Offer for Wales is funding 30 hours of education and childcare for children aged 3-4 years, 48 weeks of the year (it includes 9 weeks of holiday childcare). We will keep you updated with any news on this exciting offer.

Staff News

The team have taken part in lots of training last term to ensure their skills are kept up to date. Sarah, Vic O, Helen, Soraya, Nicola and Natasha have updated their Food Allergy Training. Helen, Soraya and Natasha have completed a Food Safety course. Sarah has also completed Recognising and preventing FGM and Helen is due to take part in Forest Schools Outdoor Learning Practice later this term.

Holiday Club

Our fun packed holiday club is open Monday 19th – 23rd February. Children 'inclusive of Holiday Club' contracts will have their usual sessions held. Everyone is welcome, booking forms are available on our website or paper copies in playgroup. We will also be open May Half Term and the first 3 weeks of the Summer. All day sessions from £26.00.

Diolch Yn Fawr.

Well done Monkeys, we raised a whopping £96.95 for Children In Need.

A huge Monkey thank you to Marshfield Women's Institute for their kind donation which funded our Christmas Party.



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Invoices

Term time only contract invoices have been invoiced up to Fri 16/2/18 and those including holiday club have been invoiced up to Fri 23/2/18, payment is required by **19/1/18** 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

Fideliti: MAR624C

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You at Work Marshfield Monkeys Playgroup

Using a registered provider may entitle you to help with your childcare costs, call 0345 300 3900 or www.hmrc.gov.uk/taxcredits for further information.

We are happy to register with your company's Childcare Voucher scheme if not mentioned above, please feel free to send us an email with their details.

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

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