



WELCOME BACK - SEPTEMBER 2022

Peter Pan's Press

I hope you're all having a lovely summer break and have managed to enjoy the sunshine and time together and welcome to our new families joining us in September. As we begin to look ahead to the new year, this newsletter should hopefully have all the information you need. The new starters should all have received a welcome pack and information about who your child's keyperson will be. Returning children, we will be tweaking some of the keyperson allocations due to changes in days etc. If this effects you I'll email separately to confirm.

We've had a little bit of movement with at least one new starter no longer joining us, so if you wanted to increase your child's days with us, there is a little bit of room to do so - please get in touch as soon as possible to arrange this.

Fee's have increased to £7 an hour for paying 2 year olds, and any hours above your entitlement for the funded 3 and 4 year olds. If your child has turned 3 before the end of August, they automatically qualify for the 15 hours FEE funding, but it's worth having a look to see if you may qualify for the extended 15 hours too. Some 2 year olds may also be eligible for early FEET funding - all the information you need to have a look is here [Childcare Choices | 30 Hours Free Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More | Help with Costs | GOV.UK](#) You'll need to have your eligibility validated by the end of August to access the hours this term, if you miss the deadline, you'll be eligible from January so it's worth having a look now. The accountant will be issuing fee invoices during the first week of term.

Childcare
Choices





Information

Staffing - We will be joined by a new staff member, Lauren Salmon, who will be joining the team as a Playschool Assistant later in September. Lauren is a past parent who knows playschool and our aims and ethos and will be a real asset to the team.

Staff working days from September:

Monday - Louise, Valerie, Kelly, Jess and Lauren with Valerie, Kelly and Jess for the afternoon

Tuesday - Louise, Valerie, Gemma, Vanessa, Jo and Lauren with Louise, Valerie and Lauren for the afternoon

Wednesday - Louise, Vanessa, Kelly, Venita, Jess

Thursday - Valerie, Gemma, Vanessa, Kelly, Lauren with Valerie, Kelly and Jo for the afternoon

Friday - Louise, Valerie, Kelly, Venita, Jess with Louise, Valerie and Venita for the afternoon.

The afternoons usually start quieter than the mornings so we work on a reduced team (still above ratio) and we then increase staffing as and when we need to.

Staff roles -

Louise - Playschool Manager and Designated Safeguarding Lead (First aider)

Valerie - Curriculum Manager (First Aider)

Gemma - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (First Aider)

Vanessa - Qualified Assistant

Jo - Qualified Assistant

Kelly - Health and Safety Lead (First Aider)

Venita - Special Educational Needs and Disability Coordinator (SENCO)

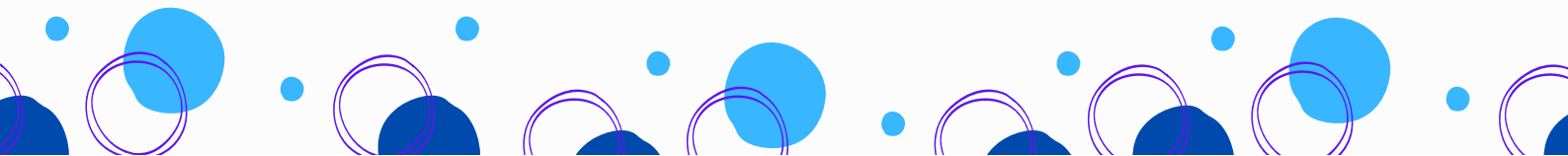
Jess - Playschool Assistant (completing level 3 course)

Lauren - Playschool Assistant

Garden - Please remember we use the garden every day, rain or shine, so please send your child with appropriate clothing and ideally a pair of wellies. Please ensure your child arrives with sun cream applied as it's likely to be warm when we first return in September. If you'd like us to top up the sun cream, please bring a named bottle and pass it to a staff member at drop off so we can put it somewhere safe until it needs topping up (usually before we go back out after lunch).

Please ensure your child brings a named water bottle each session, as well as a mid-morning snack - ideally some fruit or vegetables and some like to bring cheese and crackers too.

Contact Information - if your child won't be attending a session, please do let us know either by phoning or sending us a text or Whatsapp message on 07908018924. If your child is unwell, please do let us know the cause so we can let other parents know any symptoms to look out for, and in the case of sickness and diarrhoea children may not attend until at least 48 hours since their last bout.



Information

Support - As ever, when we distribute the funding claim forms for the 3 and 4 year olds, we'll give everyone an Early Years Pupil Premium application form. This is totally optional to complete, but if you are happy to fill it in and your child is eligible, it's some extra funding we receive to ensure we offer the best early years provision possible - we can use it for staff training, enhancing staff ratio's to provide extra support and group work, specific resources to benefit the children - we just have to evidence how we've used it and how it benefits the group. Last year we used it to increase staffing some sessions, to fund specific training and for resources to support personal and social development. Those families who do qualify have also received some extra funding for home over the holiday periods to help with food shopping - hopefully the scheme continues with the rising costs.




If anyone is finding things tough we can refer you to Stripey Stork for clothing packs, baby packs (nappies, or bigger equipment) and we can also put you in touch with the Baptist church in Bookham who can refer you to the foodbank if you need it.

If anyone is finding things really tough we can refer you to our local family centre which is in Dorking. Please do reach out as if we can't help you ourselves, we can put you in touch with the right places.

Uniform - If you'd like to order uniform please let me know what you'd like by Friday 26th August as I'll be placing the order then. We can order any time and we do have samples you can look at if you want to check sizing. They usually only take a couple of days to arrive.



Uniform – available to order

		<p>Hoodies £14.50</p> <p>Sizes: age 1-2, 3-4, 5-6</p> <p>Colours: navy, royal blue, purple, fire red, hot pink</p>
		<p>Sweatshirts £12</p> <p>Sizes: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6</p> <p>Colours: navy, royal blue, purple, bright red</p>
		<p>T shirts £8.50</p> <p>Sizes: 2, 4, 6</p> <p>Colours: navy, royal blue, red, fuchsia, purple</p>
		<p>Logo'd sun hat £7.50</p> <p>One size</p> <p>Colours: navy, royal blue, fuchsia, red</p>



Term Dates 2022-2023



Autumn 2022

Tuesday 6th September - Friday 21st October
(Monday 5th September stay and play for new starters only)

Monday 24th - Friday 28th October half term break

Monday 31st October - Friday 16th December **(Friday 16th
December nativity play - no session)**

Spring 2023

Monday 9th January - Friday 10th February

Monday 13th - Friday 17th February half term break

Monday 20th February - Friday 31st March

Summer 2023

Monday 17th April - Friday 26th May

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June Half Term break

Monday 5th June - Friday 14th July **(Friday 14th July sports day -
no session)**

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Playschool Committee 2022-2023

As a charity run playschool, we are supported by a wonderful volunteer parent committee who work hard to help us keep our fees as low as possible, whilst ensuring we have a highly qualified staff team.

The committee work hard to support fundraising initiatives and to support specific roles and we do have an accountant we pay for most of the treasurer role like staff wages and issuing the fee invoices. We're in the process of changing the charity structure to become an incorporated charitable organisation. We'll still operate as a charity, supported by the parents, but it removes some of the trustee obligations and should make it easier to recruit new members over the coming years.

For this year, the committee will be:

Chairperson - Rose (Joshua's Mum)

Vice Chair - Tamsyn (William's Mum)

Treasurer - Graeme (Lily has moved on to school but Graeme has stayed on)

Secretary - Klara (Luca has moved on to school and Leo joins us in September 2023)

As you can see, we're really fortunate to have a great team of volunteers at the moment so please do support them where you can.

There is a parents whatsapp group - if you'd like to join please email Rose on peterpancommittee@gmail.com to be added.



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