



Autumn Newsletter September 2024

Welcome: A warm welcome to our new starters this term to George and Otto.

Term Dates:

Half term: Monday 28th October 2024 – Friday 1st November 2024

Training Day: Monday 4th November 2024.

Close for Christmas: Thursday 19th December 2024.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Pumpkin patch trip: We will be visiting the pumpkin patch on **Thursday 10th October 2024**. This will be for the full day and you will be required to drop off and pick up from here on the day. Further details to follow.

Halloween party: We will be holding the Preschool Halloween Party on **Friday 25th October 2024**. This will be held 9am – 11am at the cost of £3 per child with parents staying with their children. If you would like your child to stay for the full morning you can book them in for the morning session and pay for the session.

Christmas Party: The children's Christmas party will be **Wednesday 18th December 2024**. All children are invited to join us. If it is not your child's normal day and you would like them to come you can either swap a day or pay for an extra session. More details to follow.

Preschool Christmas Jingle Friday 6th December 2024. After the success of last years Jingle, we will be again holding a Christmas Jingle. This is our main fundraiser of the year so we would love it if you could join us. The children will be learning some Christmas songs to sing for you and there will be a tombola, raffle and light festive refreshments. More details to follow. If you think you could help us on the day please do let us know. More details to follow about times and more stall information.

Parent Stay & Play Every Friday Morning. 9:30-11am. Please come and join us. £3 a session.

Activities this half term: Please keep an eye on the WhatsApp group for all the fun activities we have planned this half term.

Packed Lunches: Just a polite reminder, please can we ask that only one pudding is put in your child's lunch. For example: a sandwich/pasta or similar, crisps, fruit/vegetables, yoghurt and 1 pudding.

Fundraising:

STIKINS

If you require any clothes labels for your children's cloths the fundraising number for the clothes labels is: **35445** and the website is:

www.stikins.co.uk With this you can claim 5 free personalised name labels and you can order more if you require.

If you shop via easyfundraising.org.uk you can also support Sutton on the Forest Preschool and Toddlers while you shop.

My Nametags

You can buy clothes labels for your children's clothes. The number for the clothes labels is: **100775** and the website is: www.MyNametags.com

EASYFUNDRAISING

While shopping online please consider using easy fundraising. Information can be found by looking at easyfundraising.org.uk, looking for Sutton on the Forest Preschool.

Committee Information

Joe our co-chair stepped down in July and we would like to thank him for all he has done for the Preschool and wish him well.

Information about our current committee members:

Chair: Hello! My name is Elaine. My daughter Maya has just started Sutton-on-the-Forest Primary school and my youngest daughter Grace will join later this year. I live in Sutton-on-the-Forest and have been involved with the preschool since I started attending toddlers in 2021. Last year I volunteered to lead the committee, to help keep our fantastic preschool running. As a charity run preschool we rely on the generosity of parents and volunteers, giving their time to support us. My role mainly involves liaising with the other committee members, staff and other parents to try and make our preschool the best it can be for our children.

Secretary: Hi, I'm Michelle. Mum of 3 girls, all 3 wish they still came to this amazing preschool.

As well as looking after my 3 girls and all that comes with that, I run a farm with my husband Rob, run a weekly toddler group and try to get my horse fix when I can!

I joined the preschool committee as a way of giving something back and supporting preschool.

Treasurer: Hi, I'm Jenny the new preschool treasurer. I'm in charge of your invoices for preschool accounts. I'm married to a farmer with three little ones. Charlie who has just left to start school and two older children.

If you are interested in finding out more about what the committee does and joining us as a willing helper, please get in touch we are always looking for new members.

We will be holding a meet the committee morning during one of our Friday morning toddler sessions soon. Details to follow