

# Wendover Pre-school Newsletter

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## Autumn Term 2022

With summer holidays a distant memory we ease into the Autumn term! We are glad to be back into routine and would like to wish a warm welcome to our new families. We hope that you will enjoy being part of our WPS family.

## Communication

If you need to contact the Early Years staff at WPS during a session the number in the setting is 07775 795 900. Please save this number in your contacts as this is also the number that we use if we need to contact you during the day. If, for any reason, you are uncontactable whilst your child is with us, or you will be unable to come back and collect promptly, please ensure that you have someone on standby in case of an emergency.

The number for all other non urgent communication/enquiries is the Admin Mobile: 07923 090 696 (Tracey Admin). You can also contact the setting or Admin phones via WhatsApp.

## Passwords

Please ensure that **anybody** who collects your child knows your personal password. At any time **anyone** collecting from WPS could be asked for a child's password. This is a safeguarding process – in place to validate that the person collecting your child is authorised to do so.

If you need to inform us of an unplanned change of person collecting your child please ring the setting phone and be prepared to share your **password** to confirm your identity during the phone call.

If you ever feel that your password is compromised please inform us immediately.

## Lunch boxes

Children attending lunchclub should bring in a healthy packed lunch in a named lunchbox and a bottle of water. If children have chocolate/sweet treats in their lunchbox we will encourage them to save it for home time - so please avoid packing them.

You can find information & guidelines on healthy lunches at [healthier-lunchboxes - lunchbox-recipes](#).

We support children to develop independence when eating their lunch. This will help when they go on to 'big' school. Please keep this in mind when packing – avoid fiddly wrappers or difficult lids. We will put all uneaten food & wrappers back into a lunchbox – so as you can see what has been eaten.

## Save the Date - Children's Christmas Show/Raffle

Friday December 16th is the date for our 2022 Christmas show and children's party. More information about timings and how to buy tickets will follow nearer the time - but put the date in your diary for now! The show will start just after 9am and last for approx 40 mins. ALL children (no parents allowed!) will then stay on for a party and we will finish for the Christmas holidays at 12 noon..

We would really appreciate a few volunteers to organise the Christmas Raffle. This involves collecting prizes and organising ticket sales. Last year one wonderful Mummy did it all alone and whilst she did a fabulous job collecting prizes such as tickets to local attractions, beauty baskets, vouchers, meals for two, dog grooming sessions etc it was hard work for one.

Many hands make light work so please let us know if you can help.

## Infection Control

In order to keep infection levels in our setting under control and protect those that, for medical reasons, are more susceptible to infection, please refer to our traffic light system 'Keeping Everybody Well at WPS'. A reminder of the rules for vomiting & diarrhoea; your child must stay at home for **48 hours after** the last bout of either vomiting or diarrhoea.

## Children's Creations

When the children create & make at WPS they put their end results into their going home box. At the end of the day they proudly collect their masterpieces to take home. At times you may wonder why this piece of paper/box is coming home - please be assured that there has been a process and the children are proud of everything they have produced.



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## TERM DATES/INSET DAYS/NOTES FOR DIARY

### AUTUMN 2022

5th September - 16th December

HALF TERM (closed) 24th October - 28th October

### SPRING 2023

4th January - 29th March

HALF TERM (closed) 13th February - 17th February

### SUMMER 2023

17th April - 19th July

HALF TERM (closed) 29th May - 2nd June

## INSET DAYS

5th September 2022

2nd December 2022

4th January 2023

5th June 2023

## NOTES

16th December 2022 - close at 12noon

18th July 2023 - last day of term

19th July 2023 - open for graduation ceremony (leavers only)

## PRINT OUT AND KEEP ON THE FRIDGE!

### Antiques Fair

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in the month the main hall is used for an antiques fair. The car park and surrounding area will be very busy. Please take extra care, allow extra time for parking and use the garden entrance at both drop off and pick up.

Thursday 20th October, 2022

Thursday 17th November, 2022

Thursday 15th December, 2022

Thursday 19th January, 2023

Thursday 16th February, 2023

Thursday 16th March, 2023

Thursday 20th April, 2023

Thursday 18th May, 2023

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## WPS core curriculum & Wellbeing

Our Core Curriculum is an important document that sets out our intent; to provide a safe, responsive and inspiring environment that offers the time and space to “Love, Laugh, Play and Learn Together”. It describes how we implement this through our curriculum strands – Settling, Flourishing & Sunshine group. It goes on to explain how we observe the impact of our curriculum in order to support children in a way that empowers them to develop into a confident, curious and independent learner.

One of the most important aspects of the effectiveness of our curriculum is wellbeing. It is vital that we work in partnership with parents & carers in order to optimise wellbeing and enable children to thrive.

We need you to know that we are doing our very best to ensure that your child is happy, settled and making progress. In return we need you to tell us if there is anything happening in a child's life that may impact their wellbeing.

We want to know when your child needs a little extra support during a session. Maybe they are recovering from illness or are not sleeping well. Maybe they are worried about something or they have suffered a bereavement. If your child is coming into WPS after a difficult night, morning or weekend please let us know to handle with extra care.

This goes for you too! Let us know if you are struggling or need signposting or support. We are always here to lend an ear and we are all huggers!

## Child Development - Advice & support

Your child's Early Years Teacher (Miss Sharon) or Key person are always happy to have a chat with you about your child's wellbeing, development and areas of focus. Just let us know and we can arrange a time at drop off or pick up. Alternatively we can organise a phone call or zoom meeting.

In addition, appointments can be made with Miss Sharon for advice & support with any aspect of parenting. Do you have a question about toilet

training, eating or behaviour? Sharon has over 30 years of experience in early years childcare & education and as an Early Years specialist teacher she has a wealth of knowledge about child development.

Contact [admin@wendoverpreschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@wendoverpreschool.org.uk) to arrange a mutually convenient time for a chat.

## Internet Safety for Preschoolers

More and more preschoolers are getting their own tablets or borrowing their parents' devices to play games, use apps, and watch their favourite TV shows. <https://www.internetmatters.org/> offers support and advice on the simple things you can do to make sure your child is using the internet safely. There is even a page specifically targeted to ages 0-5. <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/0-5/>

Keep your child safe online.

## Car Parking

All pre-school parents should have a permit, which allows them to use the car park. These permits allow you to park in the Memorial Hall car park to **drop off and pick up** your child **from pre-school**. Permits must **only** be used at these times and on the days that your child attends. If you do not already have a permit please ask. Please make sure that it is displayed clearly in your car. The memorial hall committee may challenge people who park in the car park, as unauthorised parking is an on-going problem.

## Keeping information up to date

It is extremely important that you ensure all contact details are up to date. We must be able to contact you in case of an emergency.

Please also inform us of any changes to or new medical conditions/allergies.

## Thank you for supporting our Fundraising

Please see the photos on the next page to see the wonderful resources that your generous support enabled us to buy for the children.

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We look forward to sharing your child's learning journey with you this term. WPS team xx



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