



# Overton

## Preschool Playgroup

# Newsletter

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**Hello** and a **happy New Year** to all our new and returning children and families, we hope **2020** is a happy and fulfilling year for you all.

**Year R admissions** : A quick reminder for Preschoolers starting school in September 2020 the national application deadline is the **15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**. Go to [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk).

**Reminder:** Both Settings actively encourage outdoor play and adventure come **rain or shine...** please therefore provide your child with suitable **cold and wet weather clothing** including **wellington boots** – but remember to pack their shoes for indoor play and learning.

**Thank You** : For all the parents, carers, families and friends that supported the Preschool **Christmas Singalong**. The children were fantastic!

For all the very **generous** thankyou's from parents, carers and children at the end of last term.

**Coffee Morning** : For parents currently with children at either Preschool or Playgroup, and to any prospective parent of a child wishing to start Preschool or Playgroup during 2020 and 2021, use this opportunity on the **23<sup>rd</sup> January** from 9 am to chat with a coffee and cake at The Red Lion. The diet can wait HaHa!!

**Playgroup** children are busy getting to know their new peers who'll be familiarising themselves with the routine of a structured carpet time, free play, art and music whilst exploring 'shapes, space and measurement'. Categorising objects and using basic mathematical language.

**Preschool** children are busy exploring 'All about me' this half term: looking at how and why we build relationships with each other and with various services. Fingers crossed we're hoping to conclude with a very exciting visit to the Fire Service.

**ADMISSIONS** – As well as serving as a reminder to those of you with younger siblings please let your friends and neighbours know that you can register your place with Playgroup from Birth!

Places for the next academic year 2020/2021 are limited and will be processed in April.

You will need to complete an Admission form and return it to us. There are paper forms available at the Playgroup in the Community Centre or a form can be downloaded from our website.

### Dates for the Diary:

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Both settings closed for **Spring half term** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 28th.

**Heads Up – Annual Spring Fair** – whilst we're yet to confirm the date, we can confirm there will be a Tombola and due to its huge popularity there will be one for both Children and Adults this year, as well as Preloved Toy and Book Stalls – so if you're having an early spring clean / trying to make room for all the new toys Father Christmas brought please think of us and put aside any suitable items into temporary storage.



Overton Preschool Playgroup celebrated 40 years in 2019, and to mark this very special birthday / ruby anniversary we had an ambitious plan to host 40 events and activities involving the children past and present, their parents/carers, friends and families. Your continued support was invaluable... a huge Thank You from the Staff and Committee to all especially all the local businesses who gave so generously. Take a look at our new dedicated page on the website soon for photos of all that we achieved together.