



W/C 06 MARCH: CHATTER MATTERS WEEK

Celebrating children's communication whatever the weather

Next week is Warwickshire's Time to Talk™ 'Chatter matters' week. This year they are focusing on language about weather - describing what the weather is like day to day, what we wear for different types of weather, what we like and what we can do. After all, it seems a very topical thing to talk about at the moment, with the weather in spring changing from day to day and hour to hour!

For more information go to

www.time totalkwarwickshire.com

All the members of staff at playgroup have received Time to Talk™ training. Both Clare and Xianna are trained to Level 3 and can carry out WellComm screening, which helps to indicate which areas of communication we need to support and focus on if you have any concerns about your child's speech or communication, please speak to one of us and we can see what we can do to help.

OUTINGS & HOLIDAYS

It's getting to that time of year where we are starting to get out about more now and even going on holiday! Could you please share a few photos, postcards or other souvenirs of trips with us so we can talk to the children about other people and places. They love telling us what they have done and where they have been.

If you have any good ideas of activities and places to visit locally that you think might be of interest to other families, please let us know so we can pass any top tips around.

THIS WEEK AT PLAYGROUP CELEBRATING STORIES & READING: BOOK WEEK AND CRACKERJACKS APPEAL

We have shared books from home and dressed up in our pyjamas or as our favourite characters to celebrate World Book Day and raise money for Cracker Jack's Children's Trust. The children have enjoyed welcoming 'mystery readers' and a visit from a dental hygienist (Charlotte), who talked about what foods made teeth happy or sad and how to clean teeth (practising by cleaning playdough off a giant set of plastic teeth!)

All children receive a World Book Day £1 book token - we have plenty, so if you would like more, please let us know.

We are also currently talking to the children about people who help us and so our roleplay corner theme is currently doctors/hospitals. This is also reflected in the mark making area where the children can write prescriptions and medical notes!

GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL - READING, WRITING & COMMUNICATION SKILLS PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Come and join us at Helen's Place on Monday 20 March, 6.45pm to 7.45pm.

Please let us know if you are able to come, so we can make sure there are enough refreshments!

KINETON PLAYGROUP NEWSLETTER

KEY DATES

Please find details of key dates for the rest of 2022/23 attached, plus term times from Kineton Primary School for 2023/24. We follow the term dates of the primary school with the exception of the teacher training days (also called inset days) in October and April when playgroup will be open as usual. We run Holiday Club during all the school holidays except the final two weeks of August and the first few days of September and the whole of the Christmas holidays, when all sessions are closed.

For those whose children are starting school in September 2023: the primary school usually has an induction programme with a few half days at during the first two weeks of term. We are able to offer wraparound care for the other 'half' of those days, so please let us know in due course if you need any extra childcare at that time.

PARENT SUPPORT

We are always here to help. We may not have the right answer, but we will always listen and can signpost you in the right direction for further support.

A list of useful contacts and support services is also attached.

SEPSIS

Sepsis is an emergency medical condition where the immune system overreacts to an infection. It affects people of all ages and, without urgent treatment, can lead to organ failure. Refer to the attached leaflet and make sure you are aware of the symptoms to watch out for.

KINETON LIBRARY

Kineton Library is a community library run by volunteers based in the old committee room at the village hall. It is part of Warwickshire's Library Service and offers access to all the libraries in the county. You can drop in or browse online and order books for collection. The Library is currently open on Monday and Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings. Follow them on Facebook ('kinetonlibrary') for more details about opening hours and updates on any changes.

PLAYGROUP UNIFORM

We have Playgroup uniform in stock.

Polo tops: £8.00, sweatshirts: £9.50

Spring term 2023:

Wednesday 04 January to Friday 31 March 2023

Holiday Club available during Easter holidays

Summer term 2023:

Monday 17 April to Tuesday 25 July 2023

Closed Bank Holiday Mondays 01 & 08 May 2023

Half term: Monday 29 May to Friday 02 June 2023

Holiday Club available Tuesday 30 to Friday 02 June and from

Wednesday 26 July to Friday 18 August

