

Welcome to our Spring newsletter.

Firstly, we would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported our recent Bingo evening, we had a brilliant turnout and took an amazing £859 profit! We had some fabulous prizes to offer from local businesses together with a brilliant bingo caller and helpers! Well done everyone involved.

Last term we looked at occupations and invited various professions into playgroup which the children thoroughly enjoyed. The police talked to the children about stranger danger and in an



emergency, we should go to a police officer if we are lost. The vet brought in her dog which the children loved stroking and learning about being safe with other people's dogs. We used the money raised at the nativity to pay for a Bristol Zoo experience. They came in and showed us some cockroaches, scorpions, a tarantula and a giant snail all of which were very fascinating.

We also had a little trip along to the Kings Head for afternoon tea where the children saw Angela make hot chocolate for everyone which was delicious.

Looking ahead, this next term we have planned a 'space' topic, world book day, Mother's day and Easter celebrations. We have a very full half term ahead.

We will also be organising the village Egg Hunt in conjunction with Eastington Primary School which will be held on Saturday 6th April at the start of the Easter holidays. This is a great family day out with a theme of Disney Pixar. Don't forget to put this date in your diary.



After enjoying some sessions with dance teacher Louise from Dance pointe we are



planning to have a dance show for the parents of children attending on Thursday afternoons. This will be on Thursday 4th April at 2.15pm.

The children are looking forward to showing you what they have learning.

Mother's Day afternoon tea

We are planning to have another Mother's day afternoon tea on Thursday 28^{th} March.

Mum's will be invited in from 1.45pm to enjoy drinks served with freshly made cakes baked by the children.



Pre-School sessions

Letters have been sent out to parents for preschool children outlining Preschool sessions that we hold to support children with a place at Eastington Primary School.

More information will be posted to parents from the school direct, but if your child will be attending another school then we suggest that you contact your new school to find out if they run a similar preschool session.

Admin for playgroup

In future we will endeavour to reply to your emails that are sent to playgroup during playgroup opening hours, therefore if your matter is urgent then please speak to a member of staff on the door or leave a message on our answerphone – 07977342742.

Please remember to text us if your child is poorly.

Topics for the half term

25th February – colour mixing, recycled construction.

4th March –Tuesday - Pancake day, making invitations for Mother's Day afternoon tea. Thursday - World book day .

11th March – Space, gathering information from the internet and factual books.

18th March – Making presents for Mothers day. Still life painting. Planting seeds.

25th March – Cooking for mothers day – Thursday – Mothers Day afternoon tea.

1st April – Making Easter Egg cards, Egg hunt at playgroup during session. Thursday – afternoon dance performance for parents (Thursday Children/parents only).

4th April – last day of term

23rd April – TUESDAY 1st day of summer term 1.

Our playgroup offers care and education for all children from 2 ½ years to 4 years 11 months in a well established community based group.

We offer your children a safe and stimulating environment in which they can grow and blossom into self confident, self reliant and positive little people.

Our ultimate goal is to enable the children to have fun, explore and have the freedom to express their individuality, while forming the basis of their education.

We currently have a few spaces left and operate 4 days a week offering full and half day sessions and we accept government nursery vouchers and other types of employer supported childcare vouchers.

If you would like more details please contact our administrator Michelle 07977 342 742 – email <u>eastingtonplaygroup@hotmail.com</u> or visit our website <u>www.eastingtonplaygroup.co.uk</u>