

June 2020 Newsletter

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possible. This will be particularly helpful to us as we write up transition reports for the children leaving us to go to school. So please keep adding things and if you haven't done so yet it's not too late.

If there is anything else you would like to see on Tapestry let us know and we will try our best to sort something out.

Dates to remember

Last Day of Term

Friday 17th July 2020

Graduation & End of Term Party

Monday 20th July 2020

As we remain closed to all but vulnerable children we will let you know how we plan to say farewell to those children going to school.

Closure

As you will be aware we were planning to re-open on the 1st June following the government's guidance to lift some of the restrictions that have been in place since the end of March.

We drew up risk assessment plans looking at all aspects of preschool life and how these needed to be adapted to follow government guidance and keep children and staff safe when they return. However following this and discussions between staff and committee, it has been decided to remain closed to all but vulnerable children.

Staff feel that the changes that needed to be made to keep everyone safe takes away the freedom of choice which we are encouraged to offer to children, prevents them from fully interacting with their friends in the way they are used to and routines that have been embedded in everyday life at preschool would now be completely different. This would undoubtedly affect the wellbeing of the children.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this late decision may have caused, but we hope you understand the reasons behind our decision.

Online Activities

The online activities will continue to be posted on Tapestry. Thank you to everyone who has posted pictures of what you are doing. It really is lovely to see. The staff do look at them and are assessing them against the EYFS and identifying any Characteristics of Effective Learning where

Transition Reports

Staff will be producing transition reports for those children going to school in September. These reports will be sent out to you by post with a stamped addressed envelope. There will be sections on the form for you to complete, about how the child has coped through the lockdown period and any comments you as parents/carers want to add to what you child's key person has written. The completed form will then need to be returned to preschool, so that it can be forwarded to the receiving school. Thank you.

Stay & Play sessions

Stay and Play at the village hall will remain closed until further notice.

Website

The website is still up and running so why not take a look www.beetley-preschool.org. Some of the photos that parents have sent in during the lockdown have been added.

Facebook

Our, Facebook page is still up and running and as mentioned earlier we will add information on to it with ideas or links to other sites that you may find useful at this time.

Committee Needs YOU!

As you are hopefully aware, as a registered charity the preschool is governed by a committee. The committee is made up of parents, family members and friends of the preschool.

At the end of September due to children moving onto the school, we lose some of these members. This means we need new people to join the committee to ensure that the preschool runs smoothly and we can continue to offer all the children the best possible experience.

To be a committee member you do not need to have any special skills. You need to be able to offer some of your time each month to attend meetings,

be willing to work with others and support the preschool staff.

It is a great way to get to know other people and even make new friends.

If you think this would be something you would be interested in, contact Di using the preschool email address and she can give you more information on what is involved.

WITHOUT A COMMITTEE THE PRESCHOOL WOULD HAVE TO CLOSE.

Thank you.

Fundraising

Online shopping

At this time this may be the only way you can get what you want and need.

As you shop you could help raise money for the preschool.

You can do so by using "[easyfundraising.co.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.co.uk)".

Follow the links below to register your support and a percentage of what you spend will be donated to the pre-school.

www.easyfundraising.org.uk.

or smile.amazon.co.uk. (when using Amazon Smile please search for "Beetley and District Pre-school")

You can now get the **Amazon Smile App** on your android phones:

1. Update the app on google play
2. Open the Amazon Shopping app
3. Tap the main menu on the app
4. Tap settings
5. Tap Amazon smile
6. Follow the instructions on the screen

100 club

The winners of the June 100 club draw are:

1st Prize – 13 – D Lannon

2nd Prize – 35 – S Jarvis

3rd Prize – 28 – F Flavell