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Welcome to another new year at Preschool!

Welcome back to all our families following the summer break - and "Hello!" to our new families



A very warm welcome to all our new families beginning their educational journey with us, and welcome back to all our returning families.

Every child at Cullingworth Preschool is planned for individually, using the knowledge of the child's key person and the other staff members, together with the information provided to us via the Information from Home questionnaire.

If you would like to read our planning for this current half

term, it can be found on the Parent Table, along with copies of all our policies and procedures and other setting information which you may find useful.

If there is an aspect of the planning or any other part of the Preschool organisation which you would like to discuss, please feel free to speak with any member of staff, or make an appointment to speak to one of the Management Team, who would be happy to hear from you.

Sponsored Walk

On Saturday 24 September there will be a sponsored walk to raise funds for the new Village Hall and Preschool and we hope all our families will take part. There are three different routes which vary in length and make it suitable for all ages and abilities.

As you may already know, the plans for the new Village Hall and Preschool have been passed and all money raised will go towards our new setting.

(Plans can be viewed at Preschool)



Afternoon Sessions & Lunch Club

At Cullingworth Preschool we encourage healthy eating and ask that your child's lunch box does not contain sweets. It is also recommended that an ice pack is used to keep the food cool. Please pack the usual amount of food that your child would eat during lunchtime at home and cut up any small fruit such as grapes as a precaution (these can be a choking hazard).

Diaries

The diaries provided by Preschool are an invaluable tool for parents/carers to communicate with Preschool and vice versa. Would you please ensure that your child's diary is placed in the box by the entrance on their first session of the week, and we will make sure that they are sent home at the end of their last session of the week.

If diaries are lost at home, we ask for 50p towards a replacement. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

You may not know that Cullingworth Preschool is run by our parents, and without your involvement we cannot run.

Join our committee and make the decisions that matter most to the little people that matter most to you.

In previous years we have had an excellent committee who have worked well together and had lots of fun! However, every year some members stand down as their children are no longer at Preschool, and we would welcome new members. The good thing is you don't need any experience to make a difference.

Our committee is responsible for, and works with, the manager to ensure Preschool is run effectively and efficiently and most importantly to get the best for your children.

We also help raise funds for the preschool to purchase toys, learning aids and play equipment and it is down to the hard work of parents and staff that we raise these vital funds every year.

Our fundraising/social events include:

- * Halloween Party Fancy Dress, spooky games and party tea
- * Christmas Fair and Santa's Grotto
- Cullingworth Gala Float design and fancy dress plus stalls and games

And we'd love your suggestions for more!

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Thursday 20th October** at 7.30pm at St John's Church. This is when all members (current and new) will be voted onto the committee and we hope you can join us.

This is your opportunity to find out more about Preschool, meet the committee and enjoy a free supper!

Thank you

Snack

May we politely remind all our families that we ask for a 50p donation per family, per week towards our healthy snack, which usually consists of fresh fruit and may include a selection of other healthy foods eg porridge, pasta, cereals or toast. Thank you

Come and visit us

Would you like to see how Preschool sessions work? Would you like to know more about what your child does at Preschool? Then come and visit us! We welcome all parents and carers to join us at Preschool for as long as you would like - whether that's for an hour or a full session.

Please ensure that all your child's clothing is named, in particular hats, coats, gloves and bags.

Thank you!