

Dates for the Diary

Inset days

Monday 16th April 2018
Monday 23rd July 2018

Easter Holiday
Spring Half Term
Summer holiday

Fri 30th March 2018 - Tues 17th April 2018
w/c 28th May 2018
Mon 23rd July 2018



Parent Management Committee

Chair - Jenny Marshall Trustee
Treasurer - Christine McGarvie Trustee
Secretary- Rebecca Kingston Parent & Trustee
Preschool Manager - Amanda Davies Trustee
Preschool- Samantha Kuflik Trustee
Avril Woodford- Community member & Trustee
Georgina Jones- Parent committee member

We would like to officially announce that Jenny Marshall has taken over the role of Chair; she brings with her a wealth of experience in the teaching sector.

We would also like to welcome Rebecca Kingston as Secretary. Rebecca has her eldest child at Preschool, with her youngest starting soon too.

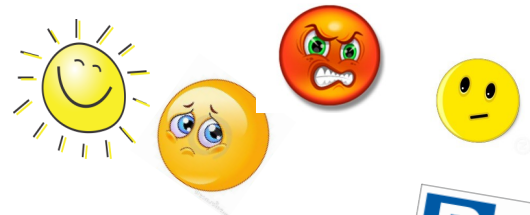
We welcome back our previous Deputy Manager, Avril Woodford who has taken on a Trustee position. Huge thanks to all!

We're always looking for active members to get involved in the events we hold. Your opinion as parents/carers is highly valued, so please do get in contact with anyone on the Committee or a Preschool staff member if you'd like more information.

Summer Topic 'Inside Out'



Our Summer Term topic will be called 'Inside Out', which is taken from the film of the same name. The children will be exploring how they feel; encompassing all emotions (some thinking about their feelings moving on to 'big school'), imagination and the senses. More information will go out on the Monthly Parent Sheets after Easter.



We are GOOD!



As you are all aware, on Wednesday 7th March, we had our most recent Ofsted Inspection. The day went extremely well and our inspector was very thorough.

Following on from this, I am pleased to announce we were awarded an extremely solid GOOD—with elements of outstanding!

You may have heard lots in the news over the recent months, that there has been a huge change in the Ofsted inspections and how these are completed, including making the criteria to achieve the various ratings a lot more difficult—bit like GCSE's these days! Lol:) While we would have loved to have bettered our previous Good rating from 2014, we do see this Good as a much stronger award due to the more stringent criteria and are very pleased with this result.

I have attached a copy of the report for you to read and you can download this on the Ofsted website too. I will also add this to the website over the next few days for an easy link.

If you have any queries following on from this report, please do come and have a chat.

As always, we thank you for your continued support and also for the amazing comments either messaged to us on the day or if you spoke to the inspector.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



Please **do not park** in the disabled bays unless you have a Blue disabled badge, which allows you to do so. Parking **ONLY** in the allocated car parking spaces — please be considerate in this also.



It is against the law for a child under the age of 12 years or less than 135cm tall to travel in a car without a car seat. So strap your child in please.

Please be aware that nut products, including Nutella spread must **NOT** be brought into the setting for snacks or lunch.



Drop off & pick up times



Please remember that Pre-school is open from **9.15am** only, unless by prior arrangement with Amanda. We try to be as flexible and accommodating as possible and will try to help with earlier drop offs, but these **HAVE** to be arranged prior to the day to ensure we can accommodate this for safeguarding reasons.

Collection times are **12.15pm, 1pm or 2.45pm** depending on your child's session. Pick ups need to be prompt, most importantly to take into account that the building itself is not privately owned & other clubs use the building immediately after Preschool closes. If a child is late being collected, this can pose a potential safeguarding issue.

We hope you understand.

Debutots

Imagination takes you everywhere...

Our fortnightly Debutots sessions have begun & the children have been enjoying all the activities that Rosanna (our Debutots teacher) brings. Rosanna, where possible, links her sessions to our Preschool themes, which enhance the children's learning.

30 hour Funding Entitlement

30 hour funding began in September 2017; are you entitled?

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/30-hours-free-childcare-eligibility>
- Make sure you apply before 31st March 2018 to receive your funding for the Summer 2018 term



Our Impstone Preschool team for 2018 :

Amanda Davies - Manager
Anna Beckett
Katie Reid
Kelly Arendse
Lisa Hannington-Collins
Rachel Hughes
Samantha Kuflik
Vickie Jones

Emma McHale - on maternity leave Deputy Manager
Jennifer Nash—on maternity leave

New staff members!



We would like to introduce two new members of staff, Anna & Lisa!

Both are qualified practitioners with experience in the Early Years sector & are parents themselves. Lisa has a child at Preschool & both ladies have children in local schools. We hope you join us in welcoming them to the team:)

New Building Update

Good news! The Parish have given us the go ahead to employ an architect to draw up plans for an extension to the Pamber Heath Memorial Hall. Measurements have been taken this week and we hope to have a first draft towards the end of April.

We will keep you informed as progress is made.

Personal details

Please remember to let us know if your child's personal details change, such as allergy info, address/phone numbers, emergency contacts or a change in circumstances. It's important that all information is up to date at all times,
Thanks!

Events for the coming year...

- Thursday 3rd May— Preschool Trip to Beale Park (Family) **PRESCHOOL CLOSED**
 - Thursday 24th May—Sports Day (Family) 11am-12.15pm
- w/c 11th June —Father's Day craft week (Mums, Grandmas, Aunties, Godmothers)
- Thursday 19th July—Leavers' Graduation Ceremony (Families of Leavers only @ 2pm) & end of term party (AM session)