**Soham Windmills Playgroup**



**Registered charity no 1032286**

**NEWSLETTER – September 2023**

**FUNDRAISING:** During the month of December we are holding our own Christmas Cart shopping experience for the children to choose and wrap a present for their family members.

We are holding our own Christmas Fayre on Saturday 2nd December 2 until 4pm, we will have a tombola and teddy tombola stall and will be asking for donations of these, we will have various other stalls and our very own Santa Grotto this will be operated with a booking time, a letter will follow.

We have a parents only Facebook page if you would like to join this :

**Soham Playgroup – WINDMILLS parents**

**TERM DATES:**

**Closed Monday 23rd October**

**Return Monday 30th October**

**Closed Monday 18th December**

**Return Thursday 4th January 2024**

**Party day 15th December info to follow.**

* **Tapestry:** Please check Tapestry weekly for updates. Information on what the staff are planning for the half term will be added. Please ask a member of staff if you have issues logging in to Tapestry.
* **All parents:** If children are on any regular medication please let staff know. Also, please let staff know if you have a change of address or any contact details change.
* **Payment of invoices:** Invoices do not have to be paid in full at the start of term. Payments can be made at regular intervals but must not be in arrears.
* **Useful information**
* Citizen Advice Bureau – Foley House, Newmarket, Tel 08082787868
* Food Bank – St Andrews Church every Thursday
* Soham uniform scheme – email [sohamcommunityuniformscheme@gmail.com](mailto:sohamcommunityuniformscheme@gmail.com)

**Autumn Term**

This term we will be concentrating on settling the children into the setting and teaching them the routine and boundaries.

We will be looking at all things Autumnal so please bring anything autumn related, leaves and conkers.

We plan to join in with Halloween and Bonfire night activities, making pictures and carving our own grown pumpkins. The children can dress up for Halloween all week if they would like to.

This year we are entering our own grown sunflowers into the Pumpkin fayre.

**REMINDERS:**

* Let Playgroup staff know if your child will not be attending the session, this could be by phone, text or email.
* Any existing injuries need to be informed to the Playgroup, a form will need to be filled.
* **No nuts** are allowed in the setting. **Grapes need to be cut lengthwise**.
* Please remember wellies and hats, coats etc dress according to the weather.
* **Drinks bottles, snack/lunch boxes, coats, wellies and bags all need to be clearly named.**

If you have any compliments, comments or complaints please do contact the Playgroup Manager Angie Clark in the first instance [sohamplaygroup1@gmail.com](mailto:sohamplaygroup1@gmail.com), or if appropriate contact the Playgroup Chairperson [sohamplaygroupcommittee@outlook.com](mailto:sohamplaygroupcommittee@outlook.com)