



Kingsdown Preschool Newsletter

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July 2022

Dear parents/carers,

The end of another school year is fast approaching. It has been a very busy year with our Ofsted inspection, some amazing fundraising events and then covid decided to make another appearance just as we thought that was all behind us.

Goodbyes

This week we are saying goodbye to children who are leaving us to go to school and to a few of the younger children who are moving on to other settings, as unfortunately we cannot open the hours that you require. When we have our new building, we will hopefully be able to offer the wrap around care sessions that so many of you need.

We have loved working with you all and seeing you grow. We will miss you, but we know you will have great fun with lots to learn and do in your new schools.

We also say goodbye to Sandra who is leaving our staff team after 14 years. We will miss her dreadfully, but we know she will enjoy having some time off to do things she wants to.

We wish all our leavers the very best as you start your new adventures.

Please do keep in touch and let us know how you are getting on.



Summer party

As you know this term ends with our summer party on Friday 22 July.

Children will attend on their own from 10am to 12 midday where we will play games and have some party food (we will be providing this.)

At 11.45am we invite parents to return to see the children who are leaving receive a small gift. Please note this is not a graduation, just a "goodbye".

For the party, a few requests:

No uniform today, everyone can wear party clothes but please wear something that children can run around in so no backless shoes please.

Please:

- put sun cream on your child before they arrive
- send them with a named sun hat
- send them with a clearly named water bottle
- They will only need a change bag if they are in nappies or toilet training

A few reminders

- Please return all pre-school books and early talk resources
- Your child is your responsibility while waiting to come into pre-school. If there is equipment set up outside, please make sure your child is supervised using it. Due to staffing numbers, we are not always able to set up the outside area first thing in the morning therefore some items are stacked to the side of the playground and can be tempting to clamber on.
- If we are outside in the playground at collection time, please wait behind the fence and staff will come to you and open the middle gate and let your child out. Please do not come up onto the playground unless we are all inside.
- Check the lost property basket - everything left at end of term will be cleared
- Apply sun cream each day - it saves us time if this is done before pre-school, and we can then spend more time with the children

Thankyou

Spaces available- We have spaces available for September so if you would like to increase your child's hours or know of anyone who is looking for a fabulous preschool, get in touch.

New session- Morning club

We are aware that the local primary schools will be starting the school day earlier. Our usual pre-school sessions will remain from 9am to midday or 9am to 3pm where Free Early Education can be claimed however, due to requests from parents, from September we will be opening a special short session at 8.45am for a maximum of 8 children. The children will go into the lower hall with 2 members of staff where a couple of activities will be available for them to play with until they are taken up into the main room at 9am.

These sessions need to be booked in advance at least the day before and will be charged at a cost of £5 per child per day. These will be invoiced monthly along with usual pre-school sessions. They will be booked on a first come first served basis. A regular booking can be made but there is a cancellation period of 6 weeks. If you are interested in booking a place, please contact Amy or Jacqui via email or Babysdays.

Committee News

Your committee have been very busy this year- look what we have raised!

Fundraising amounts

1. Marathon build: £172
2. Walmer & Kingsdown Golf club: £4,014
3. Sarah Prescott photography- £43.35
4. Xmas raffle- £592
5. The Rising sun, hang a bauble- £500
6. Race night- £1,300
7. Easter egg trail- £837.27
8. Jude Read's Golf Day- £1950
9. Jude Read's golf raffle - £80
10. Garage safari- £501.50
11. Summer fayre- £163

Total- £10,153.12 towards resources for the preschool and towards our new building.

If you would like to get involved, please get in touch. We hold a meeting once a term and our committee members help whenever they can at events.

Look out for our **OKTOBER FEST** on 22nd October
(If you can help at this event, please let Amy know)

September

For those returning to us in September our first day back is

Monday 5 September.

We will be welcoming some new children and staff to Kingsdown Pre-school. Look out for our newsletter at the end of the holidays

Thank you

From all the staff and committee at Kingsdown Preschool we would like to thank you all for your continued support and kind words.

We wish you all a lovely summer

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New Office

From September Amy will be using the downstairs hall as her pack away office.

Office hours: 8.45am - 1pm

Monday to Friday

All emails will be answered within these hours

If you need to get hold of the staff team out of these hours,

then please call 01304379727 between 9am - 3pm.



SUMMER

TUMBLE TIME

Monday 15th August

10.00am-11.30am

At Sandwich Leisure Centre

Deal Road, Sandwich, CT13 0BU

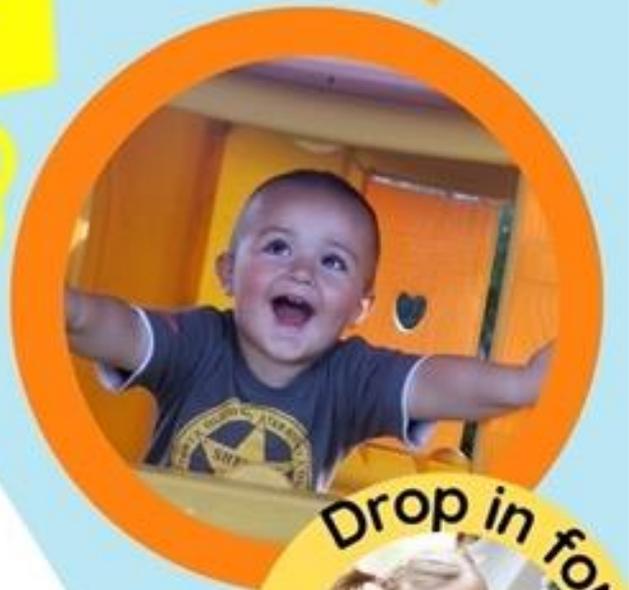
**Suitable for families with children
aged 0-8 years**

**Come and join us for lots of summer
fun with large play equipment
including bouncy castle, slide,
trampoline and ride on toys.**

**Call Blossom Children's Centre for
more information on 03000 411555**



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Drop in for a

tumble!





Dover Deal and Sandwich Children's Centres

SUMMER EVENTS TIMETABLE

25th July - 9th September 2022

Sunflower Children's Centre - 03000 415858

Elvington Primary School, Adelaide Road, Eythorne, CT15 4AN

Blossom Children's Centre - 03000 411555

Downs Primary School, Owen Square, Walmer, Deal, CT14 7TL

Buckland and Whitfield Children's Centre- 03000 414941

St. Nicholas Church, The Linces, Dover, CT16 2BN

Samphire Children's Centre- 03000 420882

Aycliffe Primary School, St. David's Avenue, Aycliffe, CT17 9HJ

Monday



W/c 25th July



W/c 1st August

Connaught Park Event
8th August
At Connaught Park,
Dover, CT16 1HB
11.00am-1.00pm

W/c 8th August

Tumble Time
15th August
At Sandwich Leisure
Centre, CT13 0BU
10.00am-11.30am

W/c 15th August

Samphire Event
22nd August
At Samphire
Children's Centre
1.00pm-3.00pm

W/c 22nd August

Tuesday

Blossom Event
26th July
At Blossom
Children's Centre
1.00pm-3.00pm



Wednesday

Buckland Event
27th July
On field at Buckland
Children's Centre
1.00pm-3.00pm

Samphire Event
3rd August
At Samphire
Children's Centre
10.30am-12.30pm

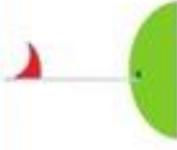


Blossom Event
24th August
At Blossom
Children's Centre
1.00pm-3.00pm

Thursday



Sunflower Event
4th August
At Sunflower
Children's Centre
1.00pm-3.00pm



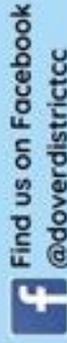
Sunflower Event
18th August
At Sunflower
Children's Centre
11.00am-1.00pm



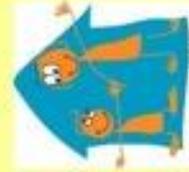
There will be entertainers and a range of fun activities at each event, which are free of charge and suitable for children aged between 0-8 years.

No need to book. Please email ddsc@kent.gov.uk or call us for more information and flyers for individual events.

Take a look at our flyers for partner events with a Children's Centre stand, Baby Groups running throughout the summer holidays, and the new timetable of regular groups starting 12th September 2022.



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& Sandwich
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COME AND FIND US AT OUR PARTNER EVENTS:

25th July - 9th September 2022

Fayre in the Square
Saturday 30th July
Aylesham Market Square
12.00pm-4.00pm (event finishes at 9.00pm)

Dover Big Local Event
Wednesday 10th August
At the Charlton Centre, Dover, CT16 1TT
11.00am-2.00pm

BeChange Anniversary Event
Saturday 13th August
BeChange, Ackholt Road, Aylesham, CT3 3AJ
11.00am-3.00pm

Tower Hamlets Fun Day
Wednesday 17th August
At Northbourne Park, Dover, CT17 0BY
1.30pm-3.30pm

Dover Big Local Event
Friday 5th August
At The Charlton Centre, Dover, CT16 1TT
11.00am-2.00pm

Dover Big Local Event
Thursday 25th August
At The Roman Lawn, Dover, CT16 1NG
11.00am-2.00pm

Dover Big Local Event
Tuesday 16th August
At The Roman Lawn, Dover, CT16 1NG
11.00am-2.00pm



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Children's Centre stands will include information on our services and a range of craft activities suitable for children aged 0-8 years.

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**THURSDAY 18TH
AUGUST
11.00AM-1.00PM**

**AT SUNFLOWER
CHILDREN'S CENTRE,
ADELAIDE ROAD, EYTHORNE,
CT15 4AN**

SUMMER EVENT

For children
aged 0-8 years
(older siblings welcome)

Free event

No need to
book



**CIRCUS
SKILLS**

**INFORMATION
STANDS**

**FACE
PAINTING**

**BABY
AREA**

**MINI
SPORTS DAY**

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**ART AND CRAFT
ACTIVITIES**

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