



# Charminster Preschool

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## NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2022



### Dates for your Diary

- **Friday 18th February**  
Fees deadline for 2nd half Spring term  
Session request deadline.  
Last day of half term
- **Mon 21st - Fri 25th February**  
Half Term Holiday
- **Monday 28th February**  
Inset Day (Preschool closed)
- **Tues 1st - Fri 4th March**  
Book Week
- **Thursday 31st March**  
Last day to apply for Autumn 2022 Preschool admissions
- **Thursday 7th April**  
Deadline for paying fees and returning Summer Term funding forms  
Last day of term
- **Friday 8th April**  
Inset Day (Preschool closed)
- **Mon 11th - Fri 22nd April**  
Easter Holiday
- **Monday 25th April**  
Start of Summer Term



### Story Night

World Book Day is on 3rd March 2022 and children are invited to dress up in bright colours and bring their favourite book into preschool any day that week.

Story Night will be held on zoom at 6.30pm on Tuesday 1st March. A link will be put on Tapestry nearer the time.

### Fees

We regret to advise that our fees will be increasing from the start of the summer term. Increased wages caused by a rise in the National living wage, and the expected significant increases in energy bills, means that we must review our rates. We will inform you as soon as these rates have been agreed.

### Easter - Work Day

We are planning to have a work day during the Easter holidays to carry out some jobs in the garden e.g. building planters & a greenhouse, treating wood and some easy maintenance.



We are looking for volunteers to come in to lend a hand and we would be very grateful for any offers of help. If you would be able to help please email:

[preschoolkids@preschoolkids.plus.com](mailto:preschoolkids@preschoolkids.plus.com)

to let us know your availability.

Due to the nature of the jobs, this will be adults only.



## CHARMINSTER & CHARLTON DOWN

Just like a car boot but from your front garden!

**Sunday 3rd April**

**10AM TO 2PM**

£5 donation to enter your location on the trail map,

Email ..... [becky\\_smith1990@icloud.com](mailto:becky_smith1990@icloud.com) to enter

Closing Date is Friday 25th March,

Maps can be purchased for £1 after that date from School & Preschool or from Charlton Down Cricket Club on the day

Where Food and drink will also be available

In Aid of  
Charminster Preschool  
& Charminster First School



## Family Fun Day 2022

The 2021 Family Fun Day was a great success and plans are already underway for this year's event on **10th July 2022**. The Family Fun Day cannot run though without a team of volunteers and we would be grateful to hear from anyone who can help us, whether you can spare time in the run up to the event or setting up and manning a stall on the day (or both!).

If you are interested in joining the volunteer committee please email: [stmarysassndt2@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysassndt2@gmail.com) or come to the first Fun Day meeting at 7.30pm on Wednesday 9th February at The Three Compasses, Charminster.

## Committee

We are pleased to report that Committee member Sophie will be stepping in as Secretary on the Committee. Thank you to Jess for fulfilling this role over the last year. Jess will continue on the committee as a general member.

## Session Requests

**Spring/Summer Term** - we are currently unable to offer additional sessions, but requests will be kept on a waiting list. Please complete and return your change of session request form by Friday 18th February.

**Autumn Term** - Around half our children will be leaving to start school in September. If your child will still be with us, you will receive another form during the summer and we should be able to accommodate most requests for the autumn.

## Fund Raising

Thank you to everyone who bought or sold raffle tickets and voted for us.

### Rotary Raffle:

Preschool Ticket Sales were £225.00 but sales by Rotarians meant that they were able to add a 15% bonus and we received a total of £258.75

### Christmas Dinner Raffle:

Raised £65.

### Asda Green Tokens:

Voting has now ended and we received an amazing 75% of the votes! This means that Asda will give us a £500 donation.

## Nut Free Policy

When preparing packed lunches, please ensure you do not include any foods that contain nuts e.g. cereal bars, Nutella etc.

We hope this will reduce the risk of any child or adult with a nut allergy coming into contact with a food product that could potentially be very harmful to them.

## Labels

Please remember to label all clothing, water bottles, bags and lunchboxes that you send in to Preschool with your child. It is fine to just write your child's name on the item, but if you would prefer iron on stickers and order them from My Nametags, we will receive a payment worth 24% of your order.

Orders can be made online by going to [www.MyNametags.com](http://www.MyNametags.com) and using our School ID 88389. Please ensure you use the ID number rather than typing our name or we will not be credited.

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