



Little Gregs
Pre-School

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SEPTEMBER WELCOME NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Little Gregs Pre-School! I hope you have had an enjoyable summer. This is the first newsletter of the pre-school year.

We are all very excited to see all the children back at pre-school and Welcome our new families to Little Gregs. Pre-school reopens Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

The first few weeks at pre-school will be allowing the children to settle in, develop friendships with children and staff. The children will be exploring the learning environment and adapting to the routines.

I know this is an unsettling time for you and your child, we will do our very best to meet your child's needs, ensuring a smooth transition into pre-school. I will be on the gate in the mornings to take any messages and to answer any questions. In the mornings you will drop off at the main black gate at the front of the school. We have strict times at the gate in the morning, we have been given a 10 minute slot 8.30am – 8.40am. Please ensure you are on time. If you are late you will have to wait for St Gregory's children arrive for their allocated time. Then you will be allowed to enter the school grounds to walk around to the pre-school. Afternoon collection is from the pre-school and the pre-school gate is opened from 3pm.

We will continue to provide free snack morning and afternoon sessions, along with milk and water.

Your child will need a pair of wellingtons and all in-ones to keep at pre-school for nature nursery and outdoor activities. Children will need a drinks bottle for each session, change of clothes and nappies (if they are in nappies). We provide you with a pre-school bag. If you have not received you bag, please ensure you ask at the pre-school office. **Please ensure all belonging are clearly labelled with your child's name!**

There is a new system in place for booking holidays, this is a safeguarding requirement and we must follow this requirement. If you take holiday during the pre-school term, you must inform Sarah or Helen, and complete a holiday form. Please do not email the day before your holiday or tell staff at the gate. If we are not informed of the holiday, and cannot make contact with you. We have to report the child as missing in early year's education to the local authority.

You will find information about our pre-school including policies on our website. The website is updated regularly please take a look. <https://www.littlegregspreschool.com>

Kind Regards

Sarah Wilkes

Pre-School Manager





Meet the Staff



Sarah



Helen



Renata



Claire



Hayley



Patricia



Rajdeep



Holly



Jessie



Andy





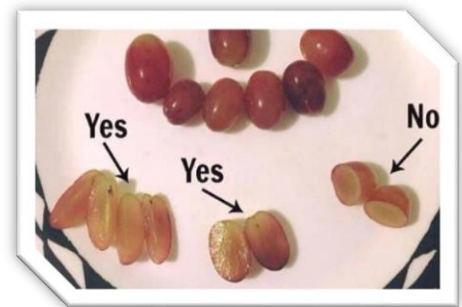
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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Teacher Training Day - Closed to Children	Monday 2 nd September 2024
Children return to pre-school	Tuesday 3 rd September 2024
Last day of Term	Friday 25 th October 2024
Return to Pre-school	Monday 4 th November 2024

Reminders:

- If your child is absent you must inform the pre-school by 9am. Please phone or email. This has to be done for each day of absence and the reason for absence. 01789 290198 / littlegregs3506@welearn365.com
- Water bottle needed for each session. Please ensure the bottle is clearly labelled.
- Please provide nappies if your child uses them.
- Please label your child's belongings.
- No Nuts in snack boxes.
- Please cut up grapes.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

DO YOU HAVE PARENTING EXPERIENCE?
COULD YOU SPARE 1-2 HOURS A WEEK?
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If you have parenting experience, can spare 1-2 hours each week and want to **make a meaningful difference to a young family in your community** who needs support, please get in touch to find out more. New course starting on the **16th September 2024**.

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volunteer
training
course
starting 16th
Sept 2024

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We have a position available on our board of directors.

Little Gregs Pre-School and Out of School Club is overseen by a group of Directors who meet on a termly basis.

We are, therefore, looking to recruit one new volunteer who will help oversee Little Gregs and support the staff in the fantastic job they do with the children.

What commitment is required when becoming a Board Member?

- Attendance at a termly meeting
- Attendance at any ad hoc/sub-group meeting as and when required
- Willingness to commit the necessary time to the charity as required

Specifically we are looking for someone willing to take on the role of Chair Person. This role would require someone who could commit to a few hours per term, supporting the pre-school manager.

The role is voluntary and receive no remuneration and are subject to an enhanced CRB check.

How do you get involved?

For further information or to express your interest in this exciting opportunity please speak with Sarah Wilkes 'Pre-School Manager'

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Come along to our **FREE**
Peep child development

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groups



What is Peep?

Peep supports parents and carers in understanding and enhancing their child's development through sharing fun, simple, low cost ideas and information with each other, and helping to create strong support networks.



What are Peep groups like?

Our 6-week groups offer plenty of opportunities to do more of the little things, like talking, listening, playing, singing and sharing books. Groups are small (approx 4-6 families), encouraging, non-judgemental and friendly.

Where can I find a group?

We run our groups throughout the year in the following locations:

Meon Vale (1.5-2 years) - Village Hall

Lillington (1.5-2 yrs) - Lillington Children & Family Centre

Lighthorne Heath (1.5-2 yrs) - Lighthorne Heath Children & Family Centre

Shipston-on-Stour (1.5-2 years) - Scout Hut

Stratford-upon-Avon (1.5-2 yrs) - Stratford Children & Family Centre

Warwick (1-2 yrs) - Westgate Children & Family Centre

For more information:

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To reserve your space

