

# Newsletter Extra, March 2011

## Easter Service & Bonnet Parade

At 10:30 am on Thursday 14th April, Playgroup will be walking over to the Church for our Easter Service. There will be a prize for every child wearing an Easter Bonnet.

All parents and relatives are welcome. If your child is not in session on that day then you can still come along, just come down to Playgroup just before 10:30.

After the service everyone is welcome to come back to Playgroup for a cup of Tea.



## **Bunny Bounce**

All children can take part in this sponsored activity. Each child has a turn putting on a pair of bunny ears and bouncing on a trampoline. This will take place from Thursday 7th April to Wednesday 13th April.

Please pick up a sponsorship form from Playgroup.



## **Easter Egg Hunt**

Duffield Close  
(Breaston Green) on  
Wednesday 13th  
April,  
1:00—2:30 pm.

Also fun and games  
to play.

Family and friends  
welcome.

## Chocolate Eggs Needed Please



In order to keep the Easter Egg Hunt a free event for all the family, we are asking for donations of chocolate eggs. The best size is about the same as a Cadburys Crème Egg. Most supermarkets sell cheap foil covered chocolate eggs of this size. Any smaller and we don't think the children will be able to find them.

Or, we are hoping to have a chocolate egg raffle on the day of the Easter Service. If you could donate an Easter Egg for that e.g. a small Cadburys Buttons egg, it would be a great help.



All donations are greatly appreciated.





### **Important—Absences**

From April the government is changing the funding for all Nursery places. If a child is absent and the parent doesn't call and advise the Pre-school of a valid reason (e.g. illness) it has to be noted as an unexplained absence. Too many unexplained absences for a child and the Government will remove their funding. All Playgroups and Nurseries in Derbyshire will have to record this information.

If your child is going to be absent from Playgroup please call us on 01332 874832 to let us know.

If you have any questions about this change of Government funding please do not hesitate to talk to a member of staff or a member of the committee.

### **Breaston May Day Gala**

Every year Breaston hold a fayre on The Green (Duffield Close) on May Day and we have a stall there. We usually sell cakes, have games like hook a fish, the bottle game for the grown ups, offer bracelet making and face painting and have make and do activities.

This is a big fundraiser for the Playgroup and allows us to purchase lots of toys and educational games for our children. If you could help out on our stall that day it would be greatly appreciated. It is an all day event and so volunteers commit for one or two hours that day. There will be a sign up sheet at Playgroup.

We would be very grateful for donations of any of the following:

- Cakes or biscuits (homemade or shop bought)
- Sweet and toy bowls for a tombola (an example will be put out at playgroup soon with some empty bowls for you to take)
- Bottles for the bottle game (e.g. wine, beer, any unwanted drink etc)

### **Parent Questionnaires**

Questionnaires are going out soon to all Playgroup Parents. Please fill these in with as much information as possible, so that our wonderful Playgroup can continue grow.



### **Duty Rota**

A blank rota is out on the table at Playgroup, but will need to be taken in and typed up very soon. This is your opportunity to choose a date for duties that is best for you.

Next half term is only four weeks long, so we won't have long to fill out dates for the following half term. Please keep checking the table at playgroup for blank rotas, or email [breastonplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:breastonplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk) to request a specific date.







# Our *Royal Wedding* Party

We are celebrating the marriage of William and Catherine  
at The Bulls Head in Breaston  
Friday 29th April, 10:00am to 12:30pm  
Tickets are £5 per child  
(includes entertainment and food)

Punch and Judy, Make and Do, Magic Tricks, Balloon modelling

## Fun for all the family!

Bring your family and friends. Children don't have to attend Playgroup to come to the party. Tickets are going fast so let playgroup know if you want to come.

The Bulls Head is offering **20% off food**  
for families of our party children  
So come and spend the day celebrating the event of the year.



Have your children grown out of some of their toys?  
Do you want to sell them to families who can enjoy them? Well email [breastonplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:breastonplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk) and we can include it in this newsletter.

Let us know as much information as possible e.g. name and make of item, cost new, cost you want to sell it for, it's condition etc

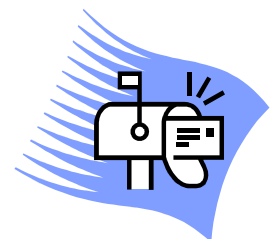
Adverts will cost £1 per item. Any money raised will help to cover the costs of printing the newsletter.

## Parent Mail

Would you prefer to get your newsletters and information emailed straight to you? You will be helping the environment and helping Playgroup too.

Just ask a member of staff about Playgroup Parentmail.

Your email address will not appear on the emails and will not be shared with other companies etc.





## Vouchers For Schools

If you shop in Sainsbury's or Tesco's then please collect their Schools vouchers for us. We are not as big as a School so we don't have as many people collecting for us, but we do get some great things for the kids from the vouchers we collect.

So please collect your vouchers and ask all your family and friends too. A box is now out next to the signing in book at Playgroup.

### Important Dates

Last week before Easter Hols: **Sponsored Bunny Bounce**

Friday 1st April: Stay and Play session at Playgroup, AM and PM

Wednesday 13th April: **Easter Egg Hunt @ The Green**

Thursday 14th April: **Easter Bonnet Parade & Easter Service @ St Michaels.**

Thursday 14th April: Playgroup closes at the end of today for Easter Holidays.

Friday 29th April 10-12 **Will's & Kate Wedding party @ The Bulls Heads**

Come along and celebrate with us and Punch and Judy, whole family welcome.

Monday 2nd May—**Breaston May Day Gala** on The Green.

Playgroup get a stall here every year. Come along for some make and do fun.

Tuesday 3rd May: Playgroup re-opens.

Friday 27th May: Playgroup closes at end of day for half term.

Monday 6th June: Playgroup re-opens.

Saturday 25th June: Long Eaton Carnival @ West Park

Playgroup will be having a stall here, with activities for children.

Thursday 21st July: Playgroup closes at the end of day for Summer Holidays

**\*\*Change\*\* Friday 22nd July: Inset Day—Playgroup is closed.**

**\*\*Change\*\* Playgroup's Messy Day has been cancelled for this year**

Monday 5th September: Inset Day—Playgroup is closed

Tuesday 6th September: Playgroup re-opens

Friday 21st October: Playgroup closes at end of day for half term.

Sunday 30th October: Playgroup's Halloween Party

Monday 12th September, Playgroup's Harvest Festival @ St Michael's Church

Saturday 26th November: Playgroup's Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 13th December: Playgroup's Christmas Carols @ St Michael's Church

Tuesday 20th December: Playgroup's Christmas Party during session time.

Tuesday 20th December: Playgroup closes at end of day for Xmas holidays.

