



South Milford Preschool

Autumn 2



Dates for the Diary:

Term begins - Monday 6th November

Close for Christmas half term - Friday 22nd

December.

Friday 17th November - Children in Need fundraiser.

Preschool reopens - Monday 8th January 2024.

Saturday 9th December - South Milford Xmas Tree festival. (This year the theme is Christmas songs and Preschools song will be 'Im a little Snowman')

LEARNING THIS TERM

We will be exploring what makes us unique. This will include looking at things such as physical attributes, households, emotions and personal interests. We have a lot of children showing an interest in initial sounds in words, noticing letters in the environment and this learning will continue into the next term. You will also see lots of activities designed to strengthen the muscles in our fingers to help build a strong base for purposeful mark making and letter formation.

HELLO!

A big thank you to all our children, families and staff for a brilliant first half term! It was a long one, but the countdown to Christmas has now officially begun! Last term we invited you all for a Parent consultation and it was lovely to have so many of you take up this opportunity. Please remember that you are able to make a face to face appointment at any time! Alternatively please feel free to contact us either via text, email, via the website or facebook.

We would really appreciate it if you could complete a short survey following our first term. This will take less than 5 minutes to complete. [CLICK HERE FOR SURVEY](#)

Thank you!

KEY MESSAGES

TAX FREE CHILDCARE

When paying through TFC please make sure you use the following registration number and postcode:

Registration Number - 2734842

Postcode - LS255AF

(South Milford Preschool has existed before and this has caused some confusion when using this system!)

PASSIVE SMOKING

During the previous term we noticed some children mimicking actions and language related to the use of cigarettes. Please be aware this type of play will be discouraged in preschool as it does not promote a healthy lifestyle.

If you wish to learn more about the effect of smoking around children, you can find more information about passive smoking on the NHS website [HERE](#).

SOUTH MILFORD EXPLORERS FB PAGE

This is a private facebook group to those enrolled currently in the setting where we share pictures and key messages from the week. Hopefully everyone has access to this now but if you don't please send us a message and we will email over a link for you to join. Thank you for your patience with this!

CHRISTMAS STAY AND PLAY

Next term will be inviting families into preschool for a morning of Christmas crafts and songs. Dates for this will be confirmed shortly!