



## Newsletter - September 2020

### Welcome

Welcome back to Begbroke Playgroup everyone, we hope you enjoyed the summer break. We would also like to welcome Albie who is starting with us next week, we hope he enjoys his time with us.

### Fever leaflet

I have attached some information sheets regarding Coronavirus and how to deal with fevers in under 5s, please read.

### Drop off and Pick Up

During these difficult times we would appreciate parents adhering to drop off and pick up times. This is especially important at pick up as schools have staggered pick up times and staff need to be able to leave promptly. Persistent offenders will be fined.

### Spare clothes

Please bring a bag with spare clothes/nappies etc and leave on your child's peg from their first session of the week and take home after the last session, thank you. Please do not include toys.

### Fundraising

As we cannot have group gatherings fundraising is difficult. You can support us by using the AmazonSmile or easyfundraising sites.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk) on your web browser or activate AmazonSmile on your Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone (found under 'settings' on your app). On your browser, you may also want to add a bookmark to [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk) to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile. When you're using the app, always check for the "AmazonSmile" logo to ensure you're activated for AmazonSmile and support Begbroke Playgroup, thank you.

For easyfundraising follow the link

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/begbrokeplaygroup>

These two are an easy way to raise money for us, thank you.

### Children's wellbeing

The ongoing coronavirus pandemic is causing anxiety for everyone and even though your children might be too young to understand what is going on they may also be affected by things such as change in routines, people wearing masks and not being able to see their extended family as they are used to.

At playgroup we have always talked about germs and how washing our hands and avoiding facial contact keeps us safe from germs. We generally still refer simply to germs but will occasionally talk specifically about the 'coronabug' (the term most frequently used by the children here).

The children have coped very well with the increase of frequency of handwashing and the change in drop off procedure and are happy to adapt to these new procedures. We do not make a big thing about the current pandemic but will answer children's questions truthfully and at an appropriate level to the child.

The NHS have announced they are going to launch a new support service for all called Every Mind Matters which should contain support in different forms for all and links to others support services.

If you have any concerns either mental or physical about your child the first person to contact is still your health visitor, generally via your doctor's surgery, if not your GP. If you have concerns that you or your child have coronavirus symptoms please contact 111 immediately.

### Car Park

Please can we remember to be careful when driving into the village hall car park. Due to social distancing waiting parents and children may need to wait into the car park, alternatively please wait in your car until there is space in the garden. On the same note please make sure your children are NOT running around in the car park when dropping off and picking up, thank you.