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Spilsby Playgroup News & Information



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 10th May – Writes photographer in playgroup

Saturday 26th May – Break for Half Term

Monday 5th June – Return to playgroup

Week of 12th June – The Chicks, or should I say, eggs, are in playgroup

Week of 19th June – Parent consultations – more details to follow.



We have enjoyed celebrating the coronation of King Charles III. Take a look at some of the photos of our celebrations in playgroup. [Gallery | Spilsby Playgroup \(spilsbyplaygroupnursery.co.uk\)](https://www.spilsbyplaygroupnursery.co.uk/gallery)

What are we doing this term?

This month we are letting the children have their say and cast their vote as to the theme they want to explore over the next couple of weeks. So... In, the true spirit of British Values, looking at “the right to have your say” and how in Great Britain we also follow the value of democracy, the adults will be canvassing for the topic they wish to cover and then it will be over to the children to cast their vote! The topic with the greatest number of votes will be the one we shall cover. We want the children to see that everyone has a right to have their say and that there are ways to do this, whilst still following the rules of law and being democratic.

Once the children have voted for the topic they wish to cover, full details can be found on our website; [Curriculum Letters Home | Spilsby Playgroup \(spilsbyplaygroupnursery.co.uk\)](https://www.spilsbyplaygroupnursery.co.uk/curriculum-letters-home)

Remember to check out your tapestry account to for more information and updates too

The Sun is Finally Starting to Shine!!

It is that time of year; we ask that before coming to playgroup on warm days you apply suncream on your child before they join us for their session/s. If you also send in a named, bottle of sun cream we will apply the cream once again or, as needed. As you can imagine there are lots of children in the group so it will really help us if the suncream is applied at home prior to coming in. If you prefer, for a donation of £2, we will provide factor 50 sun cream for your child for use in playgroup to the end of the summer term.

Simply let Claire know, bring in the £2 and Claire will ask you to sign a permission slip.

Don't forget sun hats too!!

Please make sure the hat and sun cream are clearly labelled with your child's name.



British Values

Why do we have British Values?

One of the reasons that British values are so important is that they help to prepare young people for life in modern Britain as they grow older and leave school. Another reason why British values are so important is that they form an important element of safeguarding children, as they are intended as a preventative measure against extremism and radicalisation.

British values were first introduced in schools and early years settings in 2014 when the Department for Education (DfE) published its British values guidance, stating the purpose as: *'to create and enforce a clear and rigorous expectation on all education settings to promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.'* The guidance states that all education settings have a duty to promote British values.

In playgroup we promote British Values through daily routines and specific, planned activities.

The main teaching principles for children learning about British values

Democracy: making decisions together, for example giving opportunities to develop enquiring minds in an atmosphere where questions are valued.

In playgroup we help children to have their say and make choices in an environment that is safe and supportive e.g. Voting for the next theme, book to read, game to play etc.

Rule of law: understanding rules matter as shown in Personal Social and Emotional development for example collaborating with children to create rules and codes of behaviour.

In playgroup we help children to understand right from wrong, e.g. taking turns, sharing, kind hands etc

Individual liberty: freedom for all, for example reflecting on our differences and understanding we are free to have different opinions.

In playgroup we help children to appreciate this by modelling behaviour that shows we welcome all and celebrate differences etc.

Mutual respect: treat others as you want to be treated, for example sharing and respecting other's opinions.

In playgroup we help children to show respect to one another e.g. being polite, using please and thank you, showing praise for the efforts of others etc.

Tolerance: Having tolerance of others, their religion, culture. Together we are one community who care respect and understand one another.

In playgroup we help the children to show tolerance by modelling a positive and supportive environment where each and everyone is safe to have their say, where different beliefs and cultures are celebrated and we understand that we are all different etc.

