



# Newsletter September 2023



## Committee

Dear Parents/Carers

Paulerspury Preschool is run by a committee of volunteers. The Committee is an essential part of preschool life and is made up of parents who enjoy contributing to the running of the Preschool. The primary responsibilities of the Committee are to manage the running of the Preschool by making important decisions, supporting staff and fundraising.

### Our Trustees

**Jean Kenealy – Chair : Michelle Barber – Co-Chair: Julie Jentzen Grant: Secretary  
Dawn Harris – Nominated Person OFSTED**

If you would like to help with fundraising or have any skills you would like to offer please get in touch.

[info@paulerspurypreschool.co.uk](mailto:info@paulerspurypreschool.co.uk)

Thank you

## Welcome

*A big welcome to everyone – It has been lovely welcoming you all into setting.*

*We have 2 new members of staff this term, Jenny and Shani have joined the team.*

## Our Learning & Tapestry

This term we are looking at ALL ABOUT ME, getting to know the children, looking at likes and dislikes, talking about families and people that are special to them.

**Please send in a photograph of someone special to your child i.e. grandparents etc, so we can use these for activities within setting.**

You can view all of this on Tapestry and remember we would love to see your experiences outside of pre-school. You can upload photos etc so we can talk about them with the children. If anyone needs any help accessing or using this, please ask and we will be happy to help.

## National Days

**w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Harvest Festival**

**4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> October National Space Week**

**16<sup>th</sup> October – World Food Day**

**24<sup>th</sup> October – Diwali**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October - Pre-school closes for half term**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Pre-school Halloween Disco 5 - 7**

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Pre-school Opens**

**5<sup>th</sup> November – Bonfire Night**

**11<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Day**

**Pre-school AGM Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 7.30**

## Dates for your Diaries

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**Halloween Disco 5-7pm**



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# Housekeeping Reminders

Reporting of absences/late arrivals - If your child will not be attending or if you are going to be late, please inform us so we know when to expect you, please let us know via email [info@paulerspurypreschool.co.uk](mailto:info@paulerspurypreschool.co.uk), Text or phone 07851296392.

Could we please ask that you are punctual when picking up at the end of session to avoid us having to charge late collection fees.

We appreciate that you may wish to use the village park and play area after pick up however, please be mindful that the car park gates will be closed promptly at 3.45pm.

## Bills and Extra Sessions

Bills are issued monthly, please check your inbox for these if you have electronic copies. Please be reminded that if your child is not going to attend a session for whatever reason we need to be informed by telephone call/text 07851 296392 or email [info@paulerspurypreschool.co.uk](mailto:info@paulerspurypreschool.co.uk). Sessions that are not attended will still need to be paid for. If you would like to book regular or additional sessions adhoc sessions please speak to Michelle/Angela

## Healthy Lunch Boxes

Please ensure the children's lunch boxes are healthy and contain enough for your child's age and do not contain sweets of any kind. Grapes and cherry or plum tomatoes need to be cut in half (long ways) please. If your child has food that requires heating, you must provide written heating instructions with the food to ensure we are following our policy guidelines. Could you also pop an ice pack in lunch boxes to keep food fresh etc. All children must have a drink provided by yourselves in their lunch boxes, we encourage independence at lunch time whilst staff are there to supervise and provide support where needed during lunch not all children will verbalise if they do not have a drink. If your child does not really like bread then maybe try crackers, breadsticks, with for example ham and cheese in a pot. We cannot allow any kind of sweets or chocolate bars i.e., chocolate buttons, fudge, mars bar.

**PLEASE REMEMBER WE NEED YOU TO PROVIDE SNACKS AND DRINKS FOR YOUR CHILD FOR AM AND PM (IF APPLICABLE) THESE NEED TO BE FRUIT OR VEGETABLES AND CLEARLY LABELLED.**

## What to bring to Pre-school

Please ensure that children have appropriate clothing for the weather to ensure that everyone can enjoy the inside and outside space, please provide labelled wellies, they can be brought in on the days your child attends or left at preschool ready for use as needed.

**If your child comes into setting wearing wellies, please send a pair of indoor shoes or slippers to be worn inside.**

Please provide spare clothes in case of spillages, water play, outside, messy play etc as we have limited spares.

Please ensure your child has a coat and that it is labelled.

If your child has been ill with a temperature or stomach upset, they cannot return to preschool until 48hrs after the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea or raised temperature. If your child has been prescribed antibiotics, they need to have been taking them for 24 hours before attending pre-school. We will also need a form signed with medication listed and reason for medications for other medications and including any antibiotics that are required to be administered in setting. Please note that if your child has had to have pain relief medication before coming to pre-school they should be kept at home until they are well unless this is for an ongoing health issue or has been agreed with the Manager.