

Ladybirds Playgroup

Happy New Year and a great start to 2007. I hope Father Christmas came down your chimney and delivered lots of lovely things!

Just a few notices to start with. We are now pleased to offer a lunch club at all sessions (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) until 1pm for £2.00. No need to book just let a member of staff know in the morning if you would like your child to stay.

I would also like to thank Father Christmas for coming to visit the children at playgroup. We had such a lovely session making Christmas Cards and turning the children into elves for the Christmas calendars. We finished the session with party food and a visit from Father Christmas.

Congratulations to Nikki and her brother Tom for managing to scoff 46 mini mince pies in 30 mins. If you have not given Nikki or not sponsored (there is still time!) Please hand your money to Nikki ASAP. Nikki and Tom have kindly given the proceeds to help fund the playgroup. Thank you for such a superb effort.

Dates for your diary

15th January - next Committee meeting. 7.30pm venue to be confirmed
3rd February - Jumble sale at Corscombe Village Hall. 2-4pm If you have unwanted Christmas gifts/ Cleared room for your new ones. Donations much appreciated. Please bring items to playgroup on Wednesday 31st January and Friday 2nd February as well as the Saturday morning. Any items wanted. Children's toys and clothes. Bric a brac, Jumble, books cd, videos the list goes on (sorry no bulky items) Also we need cake donations and raffle prizes along with help, setting up. Stalls and tidying away. Please speak to a member of the committee for more details.

Now down to business.

This term we are looking at My Village. We will not only look at the villages where we live. Mosterton, South and North Perrott. Halstock and of course Corscombe. We shall compare the villages from home and other villages in

far away countries. Looking at different types of houses and try making our own!

5th, 8th, 10th, and 12th January.

Card and	Home	White	Rectangle	1	P
Paper					

Today we shall have a settling in day for those children attending. We shall just concentrate on what we did over Christmas. Painting and lots of playing. Our enrichment groups will be starting with those that are attending school in September. For enrichment this week we will be looking at shapes of the letters and how they sound, by doing this we will be playing the alphabet sound track game

We will look at different types of houses that we live in and try making our own.

15th 17th and 19th January

Plastic	Fire station	Red	Triangle	2	Q
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This week we shall look at different types and style of houses. We will compare them to our own houses and then compare these with multi-cultural houses and they way we all live.

22nd 24th and 26th January

Metal and	Café	Charlotte 3	Grey	Circle	3	B
Magnets		Aleeshea 4				

The children will be exploring a rhyming string with the help of the PowerPoint display. They will have a go at continuing a rhyming string and making their own up. Quite clever stuff really! We shall explore metal and magnets and discover what is magnetic around the playgroup and outside.

29th 31st January and 2nd February

Wood	Shop/bakers	Visit Halstock	Brown	Square	4	D
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We will try and arrange the visit to Halstock bakery to find out what they do? Then have a go at creating a bakery in the home corner. We will have a go at making our own house. We need donations of 'bricks' I mean a cardboard box variety please. Children could cover these in paper/paint at home to make bricks. They will then have a go at making an obstacle course to deliver them to the building site

5th 7th and 9th February

Fabric	Building site	Purple	Star	5	U
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Today we shall be making a map of where we live. This could be a journey to playgroup, a map of our house, bedroom. It's up to the kids. Our science bit will be floating and sinking. Guessing what floats and sinks basically! See if we are right.

12th 14th and 16th February

Hard and	Building site	Orange	heart	6	1
Soft					

Today we shall be painting with old toothbrushes, combs, cotton reels, corks, or other items we find. (Donations of toothbrushes and combs needed please if you are throwing out unwanted ones) We will be exploring the building site maybe we have a budding bob the builder on our building site somewhere! We might even build houses like the 3 little pigs. Just don't tell the building inspector as ours probably aren't up to the building regulations!