

## Newsletter

Welcome back - I hope you didn't eat too many Easter eggs!

This term is 6 weeks long, and we are going to be building on the work we did last term, extending it to growing and lifecycles of living things, not just humans. The weeks will follow the following pattern.

Week 1 - Humans

Week 2 - Animals

Week 3 - Plants

Week 4 - Birds

Week 5 - Reptiles and Insects

Week 6 - we will revisit all the lifecycles to review what we have learnt.

Please help your child to find something for show and tell to fit in with the theme. If show and tell is not put in the box, we cannot take responsibility for it or guarantee where it will be at the end of the session. Therefore, please do not send anything that is special or valuable.

The Fashion Show on Thursday  $20^{th}$  March raised £390.00 for playgroup - thank you to everyone who helped organise the evening, donated prizes and came along. It was a very good night with lots of bargains. Thank you especially to Laura and Lucy for their brilliant modelling! We have booked another show on Friday  $18^{th}$  October 2013. We also have a committee meeting on Thursday  $18^{th}$  April at 7pm.

We are hoping that we will soon have some better weather and we will be making the most of it by going outdoors. Please ensure children have sun protection applied before they come to playgroup as it is very time consuming for us to put it on every child! Please also provide a named bottle of sun protection for us to top it up, particularly if your child stays all day. If you provide the named sun cream we will assume you have given permission for us to apply it. Named sun hats are also essential if we ever get any sunshine!

We will also be filling the water butt for water play, so a spare set of clothes would be extremely useful!

We are also looking into the possibility of getting water bottles like the children have at school (only smaller). These would then be available for the children on a table throughout the session. These would be your responsibility to take home and wash everyday, and bring back when your child was attending TimTin. This would get them used to the bottles they will have at school, and ensure they had a drink available all day. They would be for **water only**. We would be grateful for any comments or opinions on the idea.

We are getting very close to full on several of the sessions, and therefore we cannot be as flexible with changes to days. We will try to accommodate changes if possible, but we are going to have to say no more often!