



September 2017

Welcome Back 😊

We welcome lots of new families to Stompers this term, as well as some returning faces.

This newsletter will include some general 'housekeeping' and reminders.

If you need to ask any questions at all please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the team.

Over the course of this half term we will be reviewing all the children's files to ensure we have all your up to date information and all permission forms etc have been completed.

September will be a month of settling the new children in and allowing them to explore all the resources and equipment we have at Stompers. We will be introducing our 'Golden rules', of which we will provide you a copy of to talk about at home.

### Show and Tell

We have Show and Tell on Mondays and Thursday.

We encourage children to share any news or something they would like to show us at group time. This promotes confidence and communication skills.

Allow your child to choose something they would like to 'show' and encourage them to tell you why they have chosen it. It may be a piece of news they want to share - a holiday? Grandma and Grandpa came to visit?

### WE NEED YOU!!

Stondon Stompers Pre School is run by a Committee. Members of the Committee tend to be parents; past, present or future but also other members of our community.


If you would like to be involved in supporting our pre school please email Lucy Moore, Chair of the Committee at [moore.lucy16@gmail.com](mailto:moore.lucy16@gmail.com)

### SWAT file

You all have a SWAT file in the foyer area. This is where you will find any important letters, notes and receipts.

Any work your child has done will be in their named drawer; so please check this regularly



We have an active facebook page where we publish information relating to events, notices, photos and useful early years information. Search for Stondon Stompers Pre School and give us a like! 

### Dates for your diary

11 <sup>th</sup> October	Stondon Stompers AGM
w/c 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Half Term
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Inset Day - CLOSED



### Parent Survey

Thank you to all of those who took part in our parent survey last term. We hope to analyse the feedback and report back to you next month.

### Staff Notices

We welcome Alison to the team – Alison is a qualified early years educator who is joining us as a Bank member of staff. Alison will be in on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> September for her induction

*“It is with sadness I will be leaving Stondon Stompers at half term. It has not been an easy decision for me to make but I have been offered a fantastic opportunity in Early Years Management. My last day will be 20<sup>th</sup> October.*

*We are starting the recruitment process and will keep you updated on any decisions made”*

*Karen Illsley, Play Leader*

### General Housekeeping

- We are a 'nut free' setting therefore please do not pack anything that contains nuts for your child's lunch. If you wish to bring treats in for your child's birthday we ask that these are limited to sweets such as 'Haribo' rather than bakery goods. We cannot give out any homemade goods.
- Please include an ice pack in your child's lunch bag/box.
- We do promote healthy eating at Stompers so ask that the packed lunches include a healthy balance of foods.
- We ask for a bag of spare named clothes and intimate care products, if needed, to be brought in daily. Please check for dirty/wet clothes and replace.
- Please refrain from allowing your child to bring in any toys from home, unless on a show and tell day. We understand some children may need a comforter initially which is fine; just let your key person know.
- We have a notice board in the foyer area with information about routines, key person list and local authority information.
- The white board in the foyer displays each key groups planning. The activities chosen are specifically designed to promote individual children's next steps.
- We have parents evening twice a year - Jan/Feb time and July but we do have an open door policy so if, at any time, you want to have a more formal conversation about your child's progress do speak to your child's key person and this can be arranged.
- Please contact Karen at [stompersleader@gmail.com](mailto:stompersleader@gmail.com) if you wish to make any ad hoc changes to your attendance. If you are wanting to make permanent changes please email Deb at [stondonstompers@live.com](mailto:stondonstompers@live.com)
- Please call or text the pre school on 07549169033 to report any absences or to contact the team during the day.