



# NEWSLETTER

## OCTOBER 25

A belated welcome back to you all! As this is our first newsletter of the year, I would also like to welcome all our new children and their families! This term we have been delving into the world of healthy eating and will also be looking at some of our favourite traditional tales, nursery rhymes and of course embracing the festive season later in the term.

### New Committee for 25/26

Thank you to those who attended the AGM last month. It was lovely to meet some new families and welcome new faces to the committee.

Thank you to both Hayley & Becky for their support over the last few years and our committee for this academic year is listed below.

**Lorna Prickett Treacy** – Chair / H&S

**Milly Clifford** – Treasurer

**Caroline Rutley-Frayne** – Vice Chair

**Sarah Gliddon** – Secretary & Policies

**Stacey Bellamy** – Safeguarding & Sustainability

**Megan Brooking**

**Becky Garrard**

**Catherine Chandler**

If you ever have any questions about anything the committee do or the fundraisers we're organising, please just ask! We will always welcome new members as well so please get in touch – many hands make light work!

### Congratulations Emma!

As you may already be aware, we are very excited to announce Emma is expecting a new little one in early Spring! Both staff and committee are now contributing to future Sallywags numbers!

Of course she will be taking time out from setting at that point but we would really appreciate your help in keeping her and bump safe – you are all familiar with our procedures for infectious diseases for our little ones (chicken pox etc) but we would really appreciate it if you would share with us if at any point any one in your household has anything that may put Emma at risk. It would not affect your child's attendance as long as it's in line with our current procedures, but it may be helpful to help Emma make an informed decision about working if there are infection risks – your help would be appreciated – thank you.

### New Parents – Welcome!

A big welcome to our new families this term! – a little bit of admin to be aware of! If you use Facebook, please do follow our public page 'Sallywags Pre School Halwill' for up-to-date info on events and things going on.

### Upcoming Dates

#### OCTOBER

22<sup>nd</sup> - Stay & Play 1.30pm-3pm

22<sup>nd</sup> - Oriflame Fundraiser starts.

31<sup>st</sup> - Halloween Disco 4pm-5.30pm

Light: Quest 5.30pm-7.30pm

**MON 27<sup>th</sup> - Fri 31<sup>st</sup>**

#### HALF TERM

#### NOVEMBER

3<sup>rd</sup> - Term starts.

10<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> - Oriflame orders deadline

19<sup>th</sup> - Stay & Play 1.30pm-3pm

29<sup>th</sup> - Gift Fayre 11am-2pm

#### DECEMBER

17<sup>th</sup> - Stay & Play 1.30pm-3pm

TBC - Nativity

TBC - Christmas Party

18<sup>th</sup> - Last day of Term

#### JANUARY

3<sup>rd</sup> - Term starts.

We also have a closed group for parents and staff. Whilst important information will be communicated to you through phone, email, text, or letter we do share additional info on this group to keep you all up to date – as the group is a private group please speak to Lorraine, Lorna or Pennie to get access or if you know another parent already in the group, they should be able to add you as well!

### **Stay & Play Sessions – 1.30pm – 3pm**

Stay and Play is back for the autumn and will run on SELECTED Wednesday afternoons – open to little ones aged 1-5years.

22<sup>nd</sup> October 19<sup>th</sup> November & 17<sup>th</sup> December

These sessions are a great chance for parents / guardians to bring along your little ones, get to know the setting and the staff and have lots of fun with new friends.

Cost is £2 per child to cover overheads and adults must attend the session. This is open to all 1-5's including our scallywags if it is not their normal day.

### **Halloween Disco**

Following on from last year's success our Halloween disco is back!

We've tweaked it a little so please make sure to read the details. It is open to 11's and under however the activities will be tailored to those in EYFS (Scallywags) & KS1 (up to Yr2)

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 4.00pm – 5.30pm

Spooky Activities

Fancy dress competition

Tuck Shop & Hot Dogs

Lucky Dip

£3 Entry (includes spooky activities and entry into the fancy dress competition)

Light: Quest will also be running in the village from 5.30 so please do go and support them with glow sticks and sweet treats!

### **Christmas Week**

It will be here sooner than we expect! Towards the end of term, we will have our Nativity performance, and you will all be invited to come and watch, and we will have our Christmas party with a special guest! Look out for your child bringing home some festive Artwork – which you can choose to have printed on some great keepsakes!

### **Extension of Early Years Provision in Halwill - Update**

Following positive discussions between Scallywags and Halwill Primary, we are moving forward with plans to expand the early years provision in the village. The most viable plan is the amalgamation of both, to form a school-based nursery starting from 9 months. This will be a big project for both parties, but our aim is to increase provision to better support the families in our area.

We are still working out what this would look like, however any project like this is completely reliant on funding. There is currently government funding available for such projects, and we are now in the process of applying for that, as well as seeking Local Authority support. Without both, we cannot move forward with any plans and this, of course, will all take time.

Once we know funding is secured, we will of course share updates as to exactly what a school-based nursery provision would look like and what it would mean for both Scallywags and the School.

## **Contact Us**

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### **Staff**

Lorraine Crocker – Manager,  
SENCO, Safeguarding Lead

Jenny Bryant – Deputy  
Manager, Deputy  
Safeguarding

Pennie Channing –  
Administrator

Ella Dannan  
Tash Lambden  
Vicki Bluett  
Emma Murphy

### **25/26 Committee**

Lorna Prickett Treacy  
Caroline Rutley-Frayne  
Stacey Bellamy  
Sarah Gliddon  
Milly Clifford  
Becky Garrad  
Megan Brooking  
Catherine Chandler

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Registered Charity Number:  
1033643

Ofsted registered number:  
106369

As Scallywags is a Charity, any decision about its future will need to be made by its members – which includes our trustees AND current families. If we reach a point where a proposal can move forward you will be invited to a meeting where you will be asked to vote either in favour or against the proposed plans.

## FUNDRAISING

As you know we rely on fundraising to keep us going financially and we are always grateful for any support our families can give us.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Tesco's Stronger Starts campaign – we look forward to updating you when we receive notification of our grant total.

### Oriflame Fundraising – October 22<sup>nd</sup> – November 10<sup>th</sup>

In previous years we've had fundraising success with shopping events, and this year were partnering with Oriflame – Swedish Beauty & Wellbeing. A separate letter will come out to you all, but we invite you to take a catalogue and if you wish to place an order between October 22<sup>nd</sup> and November 10<sup>th</sup> then we will get between 20-30% cashback based on your order total without it costing you any extra! It's a great opportunity to make a start on some festive shopping!

Orders can be placed by returning an order form with the catalogues or online – which means you can share the fundraiser with any family and friends across the UK, and their order total can support Scallywags too!

### Christmas Gift Fayre – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November

The Annual gift fayre is back, with a bit of a makeover: new date, new format! We're still in the planning stages but have lots of ideas so please do keep an eye out for more information.

If you are / or know any small businesses, crafters etc that would like a stall please email Lorna on [chair.scallywags@outlook.com](mailto:chair.scallywags@outlook.com) and we will send you the full details

We will of course be grateful for any help on the day, support with cakes and refreshments and with raffle prizes – thank you!

### Upcoming Events this year

Next year we will be looking forward to bringing back Valentines Bingo, Big Breakfast, Easter Egg hunt & the end of term disco, as well as some new event including Cider & Pasty Walk and Cinema Night – please keep an eye out for dates!

Lorna & All the team at Scallywags

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## How you can help us fundraise!

Don't forget you can support us every time you shop online with [easyfundraising.co.uk](http://easyfundraising.co.uk).

Simply set up and account – choose us as your cause and then visit hundreds of your favourite websites, via the easy fundraising app and we will get an extra cashback donation with no extra cost to you!

As online shopping peaks in the run up to Christmas we would love for as much support as possible!

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