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**HALF TERM**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

**SECOND HALF OF AUTUMN TERM BEGINS**

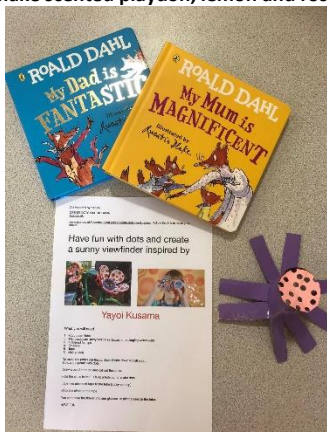
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023



A very big welcome to all our families, both old and new to our newsletter! We aim to circulate these weekly to give you an insight into the things your children have been enjoying whilst at pre-school. We will use the newsletter to inform you of important announcements and we really hope you enjoy reading them each week.

#### THIS WEEK AT PRE-SCHOOL

We have been celebrating Roald Dahl and drawing inspiration from Yayoi Kusama, art inspired by nature. We have used the microwave recipe to make scented playdoh, lemon and rose.



[www.tate.org.uk/kids/make/cut-paste/create-dots-like-kusama](http://www.tate.org.uk/kids/make/cut-paste/create-dots-like-kusama)

If you click on the link above, it will show you how you can make a sunny viewfinder at home!

#### Microwave Playdough Recipe

##### Ingredients:

1 cup plain flour  
½ cup salt  
1 table spoon oil  
1 cup water  
1 tea spoon cream of tartar  
Food colouring

##### Method:

1. Pour all dry ingredients, flour, salt and cream of tartar together into a microwave heat proof container, casserole dish or bowl.
2. Add water and oil to dry ingredients. Add food colouring until desired colour is achieved.
3. Mix together using a whisk to remove lumps and blend the ingredients well.
4. Adult to cover and place in the microwave for 2 minutes on high.
5. Adult to remove from microwave and stir with a wooden spoon.
6. Adult to place in the microwave for 1 min, remove and stir to combine. Cook for a further minute if the play dough is still runny.
7. Then adult to turn it out onto a clean surface and knead into a smooth ball. **Be careful the play dough will be very hot!** Use a little bit of flour if the play dough is sticky.
8. **Allow the play dough to cool before playing with it.**
9. Store in an air tight container or a plastic zip lock bag.

*Please note:* the microwave times mentioned may vary depending on different microwave types and settings.

**Keep away from animals and young children who may try to eat it as the salt content is very high!**

#### ALSO THIS WEEK

Our Fabulous Moo Music and Yoga sessions have returned to Pre-School. The children have really enjoyed these, and we hope they have been excited to tell you all about the sessions when they have come home!



#### FACEBOOK



We have a parent only Facebook group that we encourage you to join. We will post updates of what your children have been doing at pre-school and upcoming events here too.

[Moulton Pre-School | Facebook](#)

#### GRANDPARENTS DAY

As some of you may know, Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October is Grandparent's Day and to celebrate we would like to invite your child's Grandparent(s) to the Pre-school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October from 9.15am-10.15am for a morning of playing in the setting with their grandchild.

If you would like your child's Grandparent(s) to attend, please could you confirm by email to Danielle by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September.



#### HARVEST WALK

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October we will be walking down to the Church in Moulton to celebrate the Harvest Festival. Further details will be emailed to you in the next week or so, but we are looking for at least 5 volunteers to help us on the walk. If you are interested, please speak to a member of staff.

As part of the Harvest Festival the Church has asked for donations of food if possible, to go into the food bank at the church. If you can donate an item, please send it into pre-school with your child on this day and we will take it to the church when we go.



#### COMMITTEE

Last week our Annual General Meeting was held at the pre-school. At this meeting several members of our existing committee stepped down and we looked to form a new committee. We unfortunately haven't had many parents come forward to join the committee. Being part of the committee is an excellent opportunity to play an active role in your child's pre-school years it is also a great way to meet new people! We will be holding another meeting in the next month to hopefully get the new committee formed and we urge all parents to please attend this meeting. Without a committee the pre-school cannot operate. For more information please email our Chairperson, Charlotte, [chairperson.moulton.preschool@gmail.com](mailto:chairperson.moulton.preschool@gmail.com)

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