

# NEWSLETTER

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## Happy New Year!

*Welcome back to all our families following the Christmas break -  
and "Hello!" to our new families*



The planning for this term has been designed around two of our favourite stories - The Gruffalo and The Gruffalo's Child, by Julia Donaldson, with beautiful illustrations by Axel Scheffler.

Activities have been planned which cover all seven of the areas of learning: Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Communication and Language; Physical Development; Literacy; Mathematics; Understanding the World; and Expressive Art and Design.

Each Key Person tailors the planning to specifically support their key children. This ensures that every child is planned for individually to best support their personal development. You will find the planning on the parents' display board, along with lots of other information. The board can be found on the left-hand table, just as you enter into the Hall. If you have any questions regarding any aspect of Preschool, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.

### *2Build a Profile*

The electronic system we are using to record the children's progress is designed by a software company called **2buildaprofile**. If we have your email address you will receive an invitation to register with 2buildaprofile so that you will be able to access and respond to observations. Please ensure that we have your current email address.

If you do not have access to an email account, please speak to a member of staff who will arrange for you to view your child's profile at Preschool.

### 2 Year Progress Summary

If your child is not yet three years old, we are obliged to complete a 2 Year Progress Summary covering the three **prime** areas of learning - Personal, Social and Emotional; Communication and Language; and Physical Development. This is a 'snapshot' of where your child lies within the expected age and stage of each area. Some children take longer to settle than others which can be reflected in their summary and there are occasions when Preschool would rather give a child more time to settle before completing a formal assessment, but we are obliged to provide you with a report before their third birthday. You are asked to show this summary to your health visitor during your next visit, as the idea is to help different agencies work together for the benefit of your child.



### Coffee Mornings

From time to time the Preschool Committee hold Coffee Mornings in the committee room and all parents/carers are invited to pop in for a drink and a piece of cake. These are excellent opportunities for you to get to know some of the Committee members and other parents/carers. Look out for notices with the dates of the next Coffee Morning and make a note in your diary. We look forward to seeing you there.



### It's Winter!



The children will be invited to play outside **every day, whatever the weather**, so please ensure that your child is suitably dressed for the winter. It would be very helpful (and reduce upset) if you child's clothing is clearly named. Thank you.

### Easy Money for Preschool

Did you know it is really easy for you to raise money for Preschool - without any effort?

EasyFundraising is an organisation that works a bit like a search engine for most of the big retail sites. All you have to do, once you've registered, is open the EasyFundraising home page and from there, go to whichever website you usually use, buy whatever you would normally buy, and EasyFundraising will collect a donation on behalf of Preschool from the website. It couldn't be any easier! To register please visit:

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cullingworthpre/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cullingworthpre/)

Why not ask your family and friends to register, too?

*The more people use it, the more money we get - Simple!*

### New Village Hall Update

Over 600 people have signed their support for a new Village Hall and approximately a third of homes in Cullingworth have completed the survey - again, overwhelming support and lots of ideas for the new hall for different ages and groups of people.

We have land secured for the new hall on Lodge Street and the building will include a designated space for Preschool, with flexible space for use in the hall.

Plans are under way to raise significant sums of money from funding agencies and we will also be running various fund-raising events.

Please give us your support and help to secure a fantastic hall for all of Cullingworth to enjoy.

**Cullingworth Village Hall Committee**