

Jack and Jill Community Playgroup

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 11th June 2024 – 7.00 PM

Chairperson's report

Jack and Jill playgroup has had another successful year and we have filled sixteen places for the next academic year. The annual inspection report once again highlighted the high-quality service that is provided to our three- to four-year-olds and focused on the quality-of-care children receive in the setting. Such achievements highlight the hard work of not only the staff but also the commitment from our parents and families and their belief in the playgroup. The staff team – Vicky and Yvonne are continuing to provide the best possible early education for each and every child, and I would like to thank them for their work throughout the year. For next year We have secured funding for an additional 1 to 1 playgroup assistant and we are currently in the recruitment and selection process for this and hope to have the process completed as quickly as possible.

During The year the committee has met monthly to ensure the smooth running and administration of the playgroup. These meetings have enabled us to keep up to date, share information and make decisions. We have worked alongside Vicky the leader to arrange several successful fundraising events throughout the year including the weekly bonus ball, the Christmas craft fair and raffle, the Boving night tale quiz the big easter bonus ball, guess the name of the bunny and our upcoming sponsored sports days. These additional funds are vital for the continued daily running of the playgroup.

It would be wrong of me not to acknowledge that there have been challenges during the year, but challenges are a part of life as a committee we sat down together and discussed our options to plan what was best for the playgroup and worked through these.

Finally, I would like to thank the committee for their support, hard work and dedication throughout the year. Being chairperson this year, was a completely new role for me, a role I could not have fulfilled without a committed committee always willing to go above and beyond. This year the committee was a mix of experienced members and new members and I think you will all agree with me that we have learnt so much from each other. It has been a privilege to have taken on the role of chairperson this year. There is so much that happens behind the scenes in the running of the playgroup but being a part of the committee is such a worthwhile experience.