

Under Fives Preschool

COMMITTEE NEWS

A huge welcome to all our new and returning children and families. We hope you've had a great summer.

We've started the 2018/19 academic year with a record 56 children, which is the most recorded ever in the 25+ year history of Comeytrowe Under Fives! In challenging times, when government cuts loom large and financial struggles have caused many settings to fold, this is testament to the strength of our local community; your support and the hard work and commitment of staff and committee is really appreciated.

Over the summer, the Comeytrowe Hall Committee had a **sparkly new kitchen** installed. It looks (and smells!) great, and the introduction of a dishwasher is good news for staff, who look forward to spending less time washing up and more time with the children! We have also now said goodbye to Clare, our Business Manager, who has done a sterling job over the past 9 months refreshing and updating our back office systems. As a qualified teacher, Clare has returned to the classroom and will be replaced by a **new Business Administrator** starting soon. We wish Clare all the best in her new venture.

We had some **fantastic feedback** from our leavers' parents at the end of last term. You can find this (and other useful preschool updates) at www.facebook.com/ComeytroweUnderFives

We will be using some of the suggestions received to make more improvements this year. More info coming soon!



Pam Hudd
Chairperson
Comeytrowe Under Fives

DIARY DATES 2017/18

25th September: The Big Meeting (AGM). Full details below.

20th October: Nearly New Sale - Clothes & Equipment

29th October - 2nd November: Half Term holiday

17th November: Nearly New Sale - Toys, Books & Games

Nearly New Sales are held from 10am-12noon. Sellers please drop items off by 9am. If you would like to sell with us, please email nns@comeytroweunderfives.co.uk for a seller number and information pack.

THE BIG MEETING

We'd love you to come along for drinks and nibbles, find out more about what we do, how we spend the money and help us to make preschool life even better. Our Big Meeting (AGM) will be held at Comeytrowe Community Hall, Tues 25th September, 7:30-9pm. For more information, a copy of the agenda or to submit a question, email committee@comeytroweunderfives.co.uk

WEEKLY PRESCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The following activities will be starting w/c 17th Sept. You are welcome to attend any sessions with your child - just speak to Emma!

Muddy Mondays woodland sessions for the Bears (3-4yr olds). Please pack wellies, waterproofs and a change of clothes for your child, as we do get muddy!

Music Bugs will visit on Tuesday afternoons, offering sensory, play-based music and singing classes with plenty of colourful props!

James the Sports Coach will visit on Wednesday mornings, with more motivating physical activity sessions.

Wednesday Welcome happens on Wednesday afternoons; an intergenerational session where the Bears enjoy a snack, games and chat with our local OAP group!