



The Wychwoods Playgroup



We are the local community playgroup, which boasts a parent-run committee. We are based in the spacious Village Hall at Milton-under-Wychwood with a large

enclosed garden and convenient off-road parking. Our

wide variety of toys and equipment are constantly being updated. All our activities are carefully planned to ensure that our children have enormous fun whilst learning through their play, and also gaining important social skills to ready them for formal education.

Our dynamic team includes Jacqueline Ogden, Play Leader and a qualified teacher; Wendy Hiscock and Lesley Blackwell. Wendy and Lesley are also involved with the playgroup family session on a Friday and they help out at the Wychwood School and Nursery. This gives our children the unique opportunity to have continuity of care from infancy to school age.

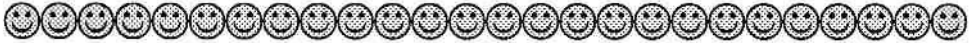


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Parents appreciate the opportunity to be involved with their child in the heart of the community and are very supportive of our fund-raising activities. So far this year we have hosted a disco, a cheese and wine evening, an outing to Tumble Towers, a toy sale, a summer party with a bouncy castle and a Halloween party. Our forthcoming events include a Christmas Play and a Christmas party with a special guest!

Our sessions run from 9.15 until 11.30 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays for 2½ to 5 year olds, whilst the Friday family session runs from 10 until 11.30 for accompanied babes, toddlers and children up to 5 years. If you would like to know more about us or wish to help out in any way, please contact Alison Flint on 01993 830669.

Our priority is for children to have fun!



THE WYCHWOODS DAY CENTRE LIMITED

The Day Centre for elderly folk in the Wychwoods area has now been running for nearly two and a half years and is thriving. We now have 17 clients, and a waiting list! This is ample evidence, should we need it, of the popularity of the Centre and how it is meeting a real need in the Wychwoods.

A recent development has been the appointment of Gill Williams as the new co-ordinator. As a nurse with experience working with the elderly, and living just across the road at the Vicarage, we could not have found anyone better!

Gill is assisted by a loyal group of local volunteers without whom the Centre could not run. With its success we are finding ourselves in urgent need of additional helpers and appeal to readers for any help you can offer.

Drivers. We regularly need to call upon 6 car drivers each week. If you, or anyone you know, would be able to help in this way then please let us know. It involves about 30 minutes around 10am and another 30 minutes at 3.30pm on a Thursday to fetch and take home however many your car can comfortably hold. Insurance arrangements will need to be made and your expenses will be met. If you are only able to drive once a month, it all helps.

Helpers. Also if you know of anyone who would be prepared to come along on a Thursday, for the whole or part of the day, to help with the running of the Day Centre, by talking to the elderly folk, helping serve and clear up the lunch and generally being on hand to help, then we would be extremely pleased to hear from you or them.

Cooks. In addition we are trying to expand the cooks' rota and are looking for more people to help cook the midday meal, either single-handed or to help with someone else.

Activities. Also we are always looking for new ideas for activities, talks and interests to entertain our clients. If you have any ideas please let us know.

The Day Centre is a registered charitable company. If you have any queries, suggestions or comments please contact either Caroline Beaumont, Chairman, on 831891, Elizabeth Watts, Secretary, on 831759, or Gill Williams, Co-ordinator, on 830257.