



Summer 2017 Newsletter

Here Comes Summer ...

The flowers are blooming and the trees are in leaf, it's time to get out and enjoy the sunshine. If you need something outside for active children - we have a toddler's slide for sale. Please speak to Jan or e-mail shiningstars@uplymechurch.org.uk

However, knowing the British weather, it's probably a good idea to plan indoor activities too!

Why not try making your own play dough (recipe on next page) or check out uk.pinterest.com/ for hundreds of craft ideas (it's where we get some of ours from!). Also, keep your copy of the Parish News to hand as it has details of many events and activities in the local area.



For sale



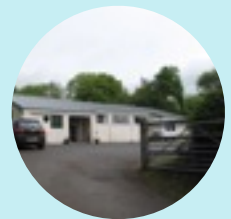
Who:

For 0-4 year olds and their parents/carers.



When:

10am to 11:30am every Friday during term time.

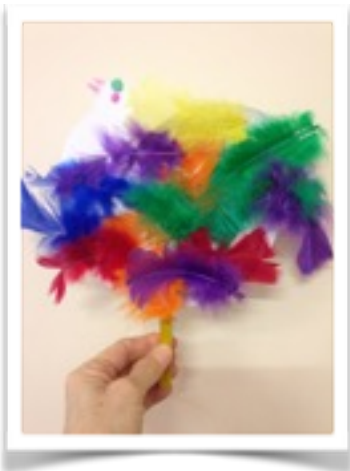


Where:

At the Scout Hut in Rhode Lane, Uplyme, DT7 3TX. Parking available.

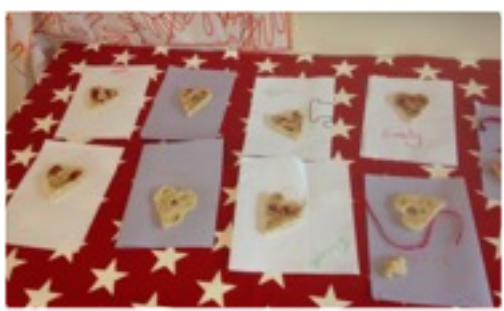
Cost:

There is a suggested donation of £1 per child



What we did last term

Daffodils, Mother's day hearts, Chinese New Year roosters, frogs and more. Visit our Facebook page, send a request to join and see more of the children's crafts.



Playgroup Play Dough

- 1 cup salt
- 2 cups flour
- 2 tsp cream of tartar
- 2 cups water
- 2 tbsp sunflower oil
(not olive oil)

Mix up all the ingredients in a saucepan then heat for around five minutes, stirring all the time. When it gets stiff, is in a single blob and doesn't stick to your fingers - it's ready.

Many thanks to Brenda for this recipe and for making our play dough each term.

Safety First

In March we did a risk assessment on the Scout hut to ensure that everyone is kept safe. Here are the points which we all need to be aware of:

- 1) Adults are responsible, at all times, for all children and babies that they bring to the session.
- 2) Car park - The gate is open & there are moving vehicles which may not be able to see small children.
- 3) Hot drinks - when not drinking, please keep the lid closed and away from children.
- 4) Piano - do not allow children to open the lid as fingers could be trapped.
- 5) Tiding up - please take care when lifting and moving heavy items.
- 6) Fire - there are two fire exits, the main entrance and the door from the storage/toilet area onto the car park. The assembly point is by the shed.

Session Dates:

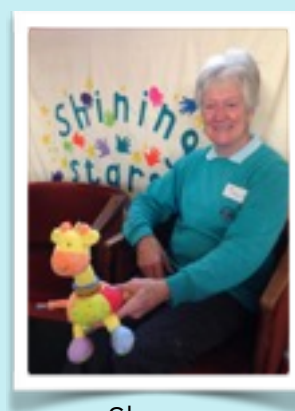
21st April	Open - New term starts
28th April	Open - May day craft
5th May	Open
12th May	Open
19th May	Open
26th May	Open
2nd June	Closed - Half term
9th June	Open
16th June	Open - Father's day craft
30th June	Open
7th July	Open
14th July	Open - Making party hats
21st July	Open - End of term party
28th July to 1st Sept	Closed for Summer
8th Sept	Open - New term starts

MEET THE VOLUNTEERS

Sharyn is one of our many church volunteers. This means that not only does she help out at Shining Stars, but she's also involved with other church groups and activities.

In her spare time Sharyn likes to knit but when the weather allows she and her husband will be out on the water, sailing around the bay.

Thank you, Sharyn, for all your help and support.



Sharyn

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