

MINSTER LOVELL PLAYGROUP

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WELCOME BACK!

We hope you've all had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the new term. We're so excited to welcome everyone back to Minster Lovell Playgroup, and it has been wonderful to welcome so many new faces to our Playgroup family too.

Both our new and returning children have settled in so well, and it has been lovely to see friendships forming and everyone getting stuck into play, learning and exploring together. We're looking forward to a fantastic year ahead filled with fun, friendship and lots of special memories!

A FEW THINGS FOR YOUR DIARY...

CHRISTMAS RECITAL

Monday 14 December 2026 at 11am

Please pop the date in your diary. More information will follow nearer the time.

SCHOOL STARTERS

For children starting school in September 2027.

Applications open: **3 November 2026**

Applications close: **27 January 2027**

TERM DATES 2026–2027

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Autumn Term	Back: Thursday 3 September 2026
October Half Term	Monday 26 October 2026 – Monday 2 November 2026 Back: Tuesday 3 November 2026
Christmas Holidays	Friday 18 December 2026 – Sunday 3 January 2027 Back: Monday 4 January 2027
February Half Term	Monday 15 February 2027 – Friday 19 February 2027 Back: Monday 22 February 2027
Easter Holidays	Thursday 25 March 2027 – Sunday 11 April 2027 Back: Monday 12 April 2027
May Half Term	Monday 31 May 2027 – Monday 7 June 2027 Back: Tuesday 8 June 2027
End of Term	Tuesday 20 July 2027

GOOD TO KNOW

A few helpful reminders for the new term

OUR PROSPECTUS

Our prospectus is included with this email and contains useful information about Minster Lovell Playgroup, what we offer, our approach to learning and what families can expect.

HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES

We'll be sending our Healthy Lunchbox information separately. Please take a look when you receive it for some simple, practical ideas for lunches and snacks.

ATTENDANCE

Please email Vicki if your child is absent from Playgroup. This is very much appreciated as we are required to follow up any unexplained absences on a daily basis. Emails are checked regularly. Many thanks for your co-operation.

ILLNESS

Please be reminded that children will need 48 hours clear of any sickness or diarrhoea before they can come back to Playgroup.

SLIPPERS

Please bring a pair of slippers for your child to wear inside playgroup so that they aren't wearing wet and/or muddy shoes inside.

WEATHER

With the change in weather approaching, we kindly ask that your child is dressed appropriately with warmer clothes on colder days and wellies/waterproofs on wet days.

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

For children starting school in September 2027, applications open on **3 November 2026** and close on **27 January 2027**.

Applications can be made through [Oxfordshire County Council](#).

FIND US ONLINE

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Thank you, as always, for your continued support of Minster Lovell Playgroup.

We're incredibly proud of the warm, friendly community we have created together and are looking forward to another wonderful year filled with play, friendships, learning, adventures and lots of happy memories.

Welcome back — we're so pleased to have you with us!

Minster Lovell Playgroup Staff and Committee