**Educational Services**

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# Our Ref: Your Ref:

# Date: 12 September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

**EYC Church Stay and Play – Wednesday 18th September 2024**

At Alloway Early Years Centre we aim to build up strong relationships with families and help children build links with our local community. We are very lucky to have a super working relationship with Rev. Hume, who is a community worker within Alloway Parish Church. We have been invited by Rev. Hume to the church halls for 4 community play days across the session, the first of which has been rescheduled to take place on **Wednesday 18th September 2024.**

On this day, we will walk to the church through our local community. This is a chance to look at local focal points and to practise road safety. Once we are at the church, the children will take part in play activities set up in the church hall. At this point, church volunteers have kindly agreed to set up coffee and chat in the front lounge for parents. There will even be some home baking! This will be an opportunity for parents and families to meet together in the lovely surroundings that the church lounge provides. Our children will stay with their key workers at this point in the hall for a play and then a snack. After snack, parents will be invited to join their children in the hall to play and enjoy some singing and stories. This is a fabulous opportunity for parents to share learning and play experiences with their children.

I know that it is not always possible for parents to attend during the session due to work commitments. It would be absolutely fine for a grandparent/family member/child minder to attend, but please don’t worry if you are unable to send someone as staff will make sure children are included and happy.

We are delighted to take part in this exciting opportunity and make use of such fabulous facilities. **We will be looking for parents to help walk down to the halls with us so feel to join us for the walk down and back. Please inform EYC staff ASAP if you are able to help as it is essential we have enough adults to support.** If you are helping, please drop your child at the normal time, then wait outside the EYC main entrance for staff to complete the register and organise the children. We aim to leave at 9:30. Alternatively, you can meet us at the church halls at 9.45. I have included our rough time outline, although this may alter slightly.

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| Leave and walk to church hall | 9.30 am |
| Free play (coffee and chat in the lounge for parents) | 10.00am |
| Snack for children | 10.30am |
| Free play with families | 10.45am |
| Story/singing  | 11.00am |
| Leave and walk back to EYC | 11.15am |
| Arrive back at EYC | 11.45am |

Consent forms which were issued at the beginning of term give the consent we require for this trip. If there are any changes to the information you submitted on your Annual Parental Consent form please inform us as soon as possible to allow us to amend our records. Please contact me if you require any further details.

Yours sincerely,



Lauren Miller

Depute Head Teacher