Letter from Kim.... Welcome to the spring newsletter, this issue runs until the week before half term in May. Bookings need to be requested by 20th March, so a reasonable amount of time to decide what you would like to do. I am just going to prompt you a little bit here as every time we do allocation we get lots of requests after the closing date, when of course there is hardly anything left. Please try to make requests on time it's not just finding space to fit children it causes difficulties with but planning and buying materials and resources.

I want to make a special mention here to Thank Wednesfield Rotary club for their support and for a lovely evening and dinner at their presentation evening. Here is a picture of us with Clive receiving our cheque. See we can actually take our jeans off when required.

Now I want just a quick mention about data protection. The changes which are coming into force in May are very far reaching and will impact on all of us in some way. Claire and I haven’t quite got our head around all the implications for Let Us Play but it is very likely that we are going to have to request your permission to keep your details on our database. We will be sending out paperwork so please make sure it is returned.

Hello... To Nicky who has become a permanent member of the office team. She will be at sessions so make sure you say a big hello.

One final thing watch the venues on this newsletter, we are moving around quite a lot.
The parent’s only group will continue to meet in March April & May. Happy for new parents to join us. However if you want to come it is essential you tell Claire you are coming. We only currently have funding for this group until June, but we are trying to find the funding to keep it running for longer. If you need transport please ask!!

Wednesday 28th March 9:30 – 12:00noon
Decopatch, Making something useful and not so useful. All materials supplied. This was already promoted in the previous newsletter no need to rebook if you have already done so.

Wednesday 18th April 10:45 for an 11:00 start
Clay Pigeon Shooting!!, and lunch. Go on try something New. We have to pay for this in advance so try and come If you book it. For those who struggle with transport Or would rather go as a group we can meet at the office At 10:00am venue is Millride Country Sports, Hill Farm Bognop Road, Essington WV11 2AZ please tell Claire If you are meeting us there.

Wednesday 2nd May 11:00am meeting in the Car Park at Himley Hall (Parking fee applies) nice gentle stroll towards Baggeridge to stretch our legs. Then lunch at Himley House Hotel, Stourbridge Road, Dudley DY3 4LD. If you don’t know these venues then please ask for a little map. If we have had a lot of rain then suggest old shoes or boots as the path round the ponds can be muddy. We can always change footwear to go into the hotel.

Wednesday 16th May 11:30 – 1:30 Paint A Pot Studio, Hollybush Garden Centre, Shareshill, Walsall, WV10 7LX. Meet at the studio. Pottery painting (choice of one item) includes a light lunch. Pottery is then fired and will be distributed a week or so after the event. We are going to get some hints and tips from the ‘experts’.

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Staffordshire Short Breaks

From 1st April Let Us Play will be providing some Short Breaks on behalf of Staffordshire Council. These sessions will take place in school holidays only. This does give us a few logistical problems as Staffordshire’s system is quite different to our own. This message is especially for those who already reside in South Staffordshire and access Let Us Play. If a session has this logo attached to it can you please book this session through Staffordshire’s Aiming high system. The booking line is 0300 111 8007 (option 6). They will pass the details onto us to confirm with you. Obviously we want Let Us Plays association with Staffordshire Short Breaks to be a success as we only have one year to prove it is wanted and used. So the more bookings that go through their booking system the better.

Staffordshire parents only get one free activity per month but this does increase during school holiday periods. Those of you who wish siblings to attend can just book them in the normal way as Staffordshire funding does not support siblings but of course Let Us Plays funding does. Staffordshire parents please promote the availability of these sessions as widely as possible. If anybody has some contact details perhaps a coordinator at school where we can promote this service then we would be very pleased to hear about it. We will be producing a leaflet to support what we are offering.

**Wednesday 4th April**
**10:00 – 3:00pm**
**Musical Mix**
**Westercroft School**
**WV10 8NZ**

Please see activity choices on next page. You can book one session, stay half a day or stay all day. You can request your activities but we don’t guarantee to meet all your requests. Some 1:1 places available.
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*Activities are led by Wolverhampton music school.*
### Friday 6th April

**New venue!!!**

**The Church Hall**  
**St Jude's Church**

St Jude's Rd, Wolverhampton WV6 0EB  
10:00am – 2:00pm

**It’s all in the Game**

This is a new venue please make an effort to find it as we plan to use this venue on a regular basis in future. The church is on the right as you drive out of town down the Tettenhall road. Go past what used to be Half Way House pub over the traffic lights and St Jude's Road is immediately after the church and the entrance to the car park is immediately after the church. I don’t think it is sign posted but it is obvious.

St Jude’s is a traditional church building with a tall spire.

### Tuesday 10th April

**Multi Activity session**  
**Pennfields School**

Boundary Way, Wolverhampton WV4 4NT

5 – 19 years

This will be a mixture of sports hall games, craft and a session in the sensory pool. The pool here is quite small and will be a sensory splash session in small groups. Not enough places for everybody to swim so we suggest most suitable for the younger age group. For those who haven't been to this venue please use staff / visitor parking. Pennfields is next door to Highfields. Almost everybody goes to the wrong place first time they come. This is the entrance off the bottom car park, down the hill!!

Lunch is Buffet

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Lunch provided and is sausages in a roll.
Wednesday 11th April 2018
11:00 – 3:00pm
The Easter Holiday Tea Party
Westcroft School
WV10 8NZ

5 – 14 years
Please note 11:00am start
Making a plush Toy
(build a bear style)
Scrumptious Tea Party with lots of yummy food
Childrens entertainer
Party Games

Staffordshire parents remember to book with Staffordshire

Friday 13th April 2018
9:45am – 1:30
Cinema and Bella Italia
Meet at Bentley Bridge Cinema
Wolverhampton WV3 0QW

5 – 19 years
Claire has asked me to point out that these cinema outings are always very popular and she allocates by looking back at who has previously had a cinema outing. We can’t tell you the film until a few days before.

Menu choices are essential for this outing but we will send you a menu via email if you get allocated a place.
Saturday 21st April 2018
10:00am – 2:00pm
**Peacocks**
Brickkiln Community Centre
Cherry Street WV3 0QW

A craft day around the theme of Peacocks
Lunch is buffet

Saturday 12th May 2018
10:00am – 2:00pm
**Spring Crafting**
Brickkiln Community Centre
Cherry Street WV3 0QW

A craft day around the theme of spring
Lunch is take Away Pizza

Saturday 19th May 2018
11:30am – 3:00pm
**Royal Wedding Party Day**
Pennfields School
Boundary Way, Wolverhampton WV4 4NT

Let Us Play would like to invite the whole family to celebrate a day of Britishness. There are places for those who wish to leave children in our care but they must be booked in advance. Please tell us numbers for who will be attending and make sure you note the date on your calendar as this feel quite a way off.

We are hoping to a nice day so we can have lots of outside play but have provision to be inside if its inclement.

Activities include bouncy castles, large games, use of the parks, children’s entertainer, football, team games and of course a lovely buffet.

You are welcome to bring friends and family but can we ask that you make a suggested donation of £5