

Coffeepots Playgroup Report 29/03/2026

For Week St Mary Parish Council

Coffeepots Playgroup would like to extend its sincere thanks to Week St Mary Parish Council for their generous donation of £250 in October 2025. Your support has been invaluable in helping us continue to provide a welcoming and developmental space for local families.

Following a large cohort of children starting school in September, we experienced a period of transition within the group. In addition, recent government funding changes, extending support for children from nine months to five years, have enabled more families to access nursery provision. This has naturally impacted attendance at community playgroups such as ours.

Despite these changes, the funding we have received over the past five months has allowed Coffeepots to continue operating successfully. Importantly, it has enabled us to cover the essential cost of the hire of the parish hall.

We are pleased to report that, as a result of careful management of these funds, Coffeepots is now in a position to self-fund for the next five months.

We have also taken steps to promote the group more widely, including advertising in local Facebook groups. This has led to children attending from surrounding villages, which is extremely positive. Providing opportunities for children to interact with a wider cross-section of peers which supports their social development and enriches their early experiences.

Beyond the children's benefits, Coffeepots continues to offer an important space for parents and carers to connect. The opportunity to share experiences and build supportive relationships over a cup of coffee remains a key part of what we offer to the community.

Looking ahead, I am optimistic that Coffeepots Playgroup will continue to be a valuable resource for Week St Mary and the surrounding area.

Once again, we would like to express our sincere thanks to Week St Mary Parish Council for your continued support.

Wendy Couch

Coffeepots Playgroup Leader