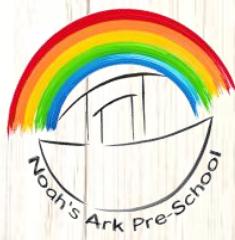


Dear Cairns Community,

We want to write to you all to let you know of some upcoming changes here at Cairns.



Over the last few years, we have gradually been working through reviewing the various activities we run as a church. This autumn, the time has come to review our weekday daytime activities (aside from Café).

As a church we believe we are called to serve the community we are in, from the youngest to the oldest, showing God's love and practical care. We want to make sure that we are also giving people the opportunity to explore and experience what knowing Jesus might mean for them. It is our desire for each individual to know their worth and the unconditional love that God has for them. We also want to ensure that the activities we provide are run well and are serving the community in the best possible way.

Stay 'n' Play, and Baby Club have been running for many years at Cairns. We know that they have been a blessing to many families, with former babies and toddlers now bringing their own children along! We have enjoyed as a church family being able to see families grow and to be part of walking alongside folks through the important, and sometimes challenging, early years.

We are wanting over the next couple of months to re-evaluate both Stay 'n' Play and Baby Club in line with our church vision and the wider spread of activities we run, and for this purpose, we feel it is necessary to 'pause' these activities. It is our intention that in January we will be able to launch daytime activities again at Cairns, but at this stage we cannot tell you what these activities will be as we need some time to see what is going to be best.

We will therefore be pausing Stay 'n' Play and Baby Club at the October half term. We are aware that this will be a loss to your weekly schedule, and we apologise for the inconvenience this causes, however we are excited by what might come out of this time of reflection. Café will continue to run on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, as well as Mainly Music, so we do hope to still see many of you there. Do also keep an eye out for various other activities coming up, including Advent and Christmas.

If you have any feedback about the daytime activities at Cairns, or any thoughts for the future, please do get in touch with us as we'd love your input. We are aware that times of change can be tricky, but we are genuinely excited about the opportunities that this season offers us!

We thank you all for your involvement here at Cairns and for being part of the family.

Kind regards,

Cairns Road Baptist Church & Noah's Ark Pre-School