



Welcome & Information



Welcome to Stay & Play

A very warm welcome to Stay & Play - a friendly group for parents and caregivers with babies and small children to meet and chat together and enjoy playing with your children. We aim to provide a safe and welcoming environment for your babies and toddlers, as well as friendship and community for you. Stay & Play is open to all preschool children (ages 0-4) and their parents and caregivers, as well as to expectant mums.

Time, Place & Cost

Stay & Play meets from **10.00-11.30am every Tuesday morning** during term time at Trinity Church Buxton. We don't have car-parking available on site (unless you have a Blue Badge or similar requirements), but you can usually find space on a nearby road and we have plenty of space to park buggies when you arrive.

Stay & Play costs £1 per week per family, but we don't want the cost to stop anyone coming - so please do chat to us about this if you need to.

What To Expect

A warm welcome from our team of helpers; a room full of stimulating toys and play equipment; and for those with small babies, an area with baby mats and toys. Every week there'll be a craft table supervised by helpers.

Each week we'll sing some songs together, and there'll be a short Bible story told by one of the helpers.

For snack time we provide homemade cakes and teas and coffees for the grown ups, and snacks for your children, but please also feel free to bring your own if you'd rather.

The timings of each week will generally be as follows:

10.00	Arrive and register
10.00	Chat, play, craft
10.40	Story and song time
10.55	Snack time (with cakes for adults!)
11.05	Chat, play, craft
11.25	Tidy up song
11.30	Goodbye time

Your Responsibilities

You are fully responsible for your child at all times. Helpers will be there to provide assistance when needed, but they cannot be left with responsibility for your child.

Please note we are unable to accommodate school-age children. We make an exception in the case of the school-age children of our helpers.

Children are not allowed in the kitchen. Children must be accompanied if they go to the toilet or leave the main hall for any other reason.

Please help us stay safe by keeping the door to the building closed at all times; it must not be propped open under any circumstances.

In the unlikely event of a fire, please abandon your belongings, collect your baby/child and leave the building by the quickest and safest route. Please proceed to the assembly and registration point, which is the Silverlands end of Trinity Passage, where we'll check everyone against the register for that day.

Allergies, Illnesses & Emergency Contacts

Please inform us if you or your child have any allergies, dietary issues, or medical conditions. If you or your child is taking medication, please ensure that it's not accessible to other children at Stay & Play. If you or your child is ill, we ask you not to come to Stay & Play. *(It is recommended that a child who's had vomiting and diarrhoea stays away from other children for 48 hours.)*

You'll be asked to give an emergency contact number for another adult when you register. Please let us know if your emergency contact number changes.

Staying Covid-secure

We're working hard to keep you and your child safe when you're with us. We are continuing to follow Government Covid guidance including having hand sanitiser on arrival; complying with Test and Trace (this is a legal requirement and we will keep your details for this purpose as well as for the purpose of running the group); encouraging adults to wear face coverings; and opening windows (so bring an extra layer!).

Taking Photos

We're happy for parents/carers to take photos during the session, but they must only be of yourself and/or your own children. During the booking process, we will ask for your consent for group leaders to take photos of you and your child for our Stay & Play Facebook page and our church website.

Any Questions?

The Stay & Play team is headed up by **Anna Watkin**. Please do feel free to contact her with any questions (see details below) or to chat with any other member of the team.

We welcome your comments about Stay & Play, and are always very happy to hear any concerns you have or suggestions about how we could do things differently.

Other Activities at Trinity

You and your family are always welcome at any of our Sunday Services or other activities. We have groups on Sunday mornings for children aged 4-14 (Trinity Kids), and we have a 'help yourself' creche for pre-school children. Our Heroes group (for children in Years 3-6) meets on a Friday evening (*usually at Trinity Church, but currently online*). Please do ask if you'd like more information about these activities or anything else happening at Trinity Church.

We look forward to seeing you and your child soon!

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