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Dear Parents/Carers

Fundraising

This year we are hoping to raise enough funds to be able to install a canopy for our outdoor area. This will enable the children to access the outdoors in all weathers and enrich their learning and development. Also to enhance the outdoors with planters and new resources. If any parents are able to help with any of these this would be much appreciated.

We are hoping to try a new idea this year where the children can buy their own gifts for special occasions and wrap these. So if anyone has any unwanted gifts such as socks, keyrings, and smelly sets etc that are new we can add these to our collection.

Please remember we rely heavily upon fundraising every year to help buy new resources for the children and enhance the nursery environment. Without your help we would not be able to do this.

Last year we were able to buy some new toys for the children in all rooms in particular some pre-writing skill toys for the pre-school which we are pleased with, however there is so much more we could have to help the children. The after school have had some outdoor toys and we have purchased some waterproof suits for the children to use in the outdoors.

Policies

A new number has been added to the safeguarding policy, this number is for the referral number for prevent.

Staff Training and Development

Sharna has attended Understanding Toddlers training to help her within her job role in the nursery room and has many new ideas to try out in the room. We are currently looking at other training which would benefit the children and the nursery.

Holidays

All staff are here this half term. A holiday activity letter will be out later this half term.

News

Please do not forget our fortnightly visits from the physical man, soft play and the library all funded by Pathways.

We have our mothers day afternoon coming up on Wednesday 2nd March 1.30-3.00 all parents/carers and family members are welcome to attend. You can enjoy some time with your child and learn what they experience at nursery; you can also look at your child's file. This year we are opening these events up to the after-school so any parent/carer or family member can join in the activities from 3.30-5.30, you do not need to attend for the whole duration if you cannot make it. Just pop in and enjoy some time with your child and a relaxing coffee.

Thursday 3rd March is World Book Day. We will be having lots of fun in the nursery carrying out lots of communication, language and literacy activities. If you wish your child can dress up for this day as their favourite character from a book and bring this in to share. All we ask is a small donation of a £1.00 to help towards our fundraising efforts.

We are currently looking for new trustee members. If you are interested in becoming a trustee for Pathways please speak to Becci or Laura and we can explain more about the role.

Important Dates

- Monday 22nd February - Funding begins
- Wednesday 2nd March - Mothers day afternoon 1.30-3.00
- Thursday 3rd March - World Book Day
- Thursday 24th March - Funding ends
- Friday 25th March - CLOSED
- Monday 28th March - CLOSED
- Tuesday 29th March - 8th April - Half Term
- Monday 11th April - Funding begins

<u>Nursery News</u>	<u>Pre-School News</u>	<u>After School News</u>
<p>Please send your child with appropriate wear for the weather, we will be accessing outdoors more so please ensure your child has the correct footwear and clothes</p> <p>Please do not forget you can contribute to your child's learning by passing on information and photos to your child's key worker</p>	<p>Please send your child with appropriate wear for the weather. We will be outside so please ensure suitable footwear or wellies</p> <p>Please do not forget you can contribute to your child's learning by passing on information and photos to your child's key worker</p>	<p>If any of the after school would like to bring in spare clothes and shoes so they can access the outdoors without worrying about getting muddy, these can be left at nursery</p> <p>If anyone has an apron they would like to leave at nursery for the cooking sessions please bring one along, alternatively if you have any that no longer fit we would greatly appreciate these to build up our stock</p>