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Newsletter November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Fundraising

Our next fundraising event for the nursery will be our Christmas Party Shopping Night on Wednesday 13th November at 6.30pm. We will have various stalls for you to look at and start that all important Christmas shopping. We will have Avon, Body shop, Darcey's Candles, Byatts Blooms and Bows and Usborne books, if you know of anyone else who would like a table please let us know, they are priced at £5.00 per table. Entrance to this will be £1.00 per ticket and this will enter you into a raffle and provide you with light refreshments for the night. Bishop Rawle are holding their Christmas Fayre on Friday 29th November at 3.30 and have asked if we would like to join in. Lastly we will be holding our own Christmas raffle and fun day at our Christmas sing along on Tuesday 17th December. Please support us at these events.

Policies

All policies remain the same. They are available for you to read in each room if you wish

Staff Training and Development

Staff are still accessing their own leaning on NoodleNow.

Holidays

Staff have got holidays booked from now until Christmas, however this will not interrupt with the children's learning and development as other staff are on hand to take over.

News

We will soon be busy starting all our Christmas activities and preparations. All Keyworker groups can be found in the rooms - if you are unsure of who your child's key worker is then please feel free to ask.

We are always looking to work closely with parents for the best possible outcomes for your child so therefore if you have anything you would like to share with us then please do so.

Can we please remind parents that all booked sessions need to be paid for and any time your child is here outside of those booked times will be chargeable. This also includes your funded hours, even if all hours are not used, as staff hours are done according to what you require. If additional times are required please speak to a member of staff to see if we can accommodate, this is for safeguarding reasons with regards to staying within our ratios. We have a few children who we are able to offer a rota system to at nursery, if you do not require us for a week or two then we will have to start charging a retainer fee in order to hold the place open, also fees are chargeable during term time to all parents, whether they are off ill or on holiday. Therefore we need to put this into place.

We will be holding our Christmas afternoon on Tuesday 17th December 1.00-3.00, the children will be learning many songs so we can entertain you and as always lots of fun activities and refreshments will be available, we are hoping to have a few stalls this year to make this afternoon even better.

The Christmas parties for all will take place on Wednesday 18th December 9.00-3.00 for all nursery and pre-school children and 3.15-5.30 for after-school. This day is free of charge and all we ask is that you bring in a food item. Please inform a member of staff if your child will be attending and pick a food lotto. We will be having a disco afternoon for all children to attend provided by Stoke Disco Services.

Clare is joining in with a Sky dive in aid of Breast Cancer UK in March of next year, please if you can give to this worthy cause. Please ask a member of staff for a sponsor form.

Could you please let us know as soon as you can if you require care Monday 23rd December, Thursday 2nd January and Friday 3rd January so we know if we need to staff and open for these days.

As always we are looking for new trustees to help with the running of the nursery. If you are interested please speak to Becci or Linzee who can explain more about this role.

Important Dates

Monday 4th November - Funding begins

Wednesday 13th November - Christmas Party Shopping Night 6.30

Friday 15th November - Children In Need

Friday 29th November - Christmas Fayre at Bishop Rawle 3.30

Friday 13th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 17th December - Christmas Concert/Parent afternoon

Wednesday 18th December - Party day with a disco - Stoke Disco Services

Friday 20th December - Funding ends

Monday 23rd December - Nursery will be open if anyone needs us

Tuesday 24th December - Nursery closes

Thursday 2nd January - Nursery opens - please let us know if you require any care this week

Monday 6th January - Funding begins