



Nursery Newsletter - December 2018

Yes, we are a little organised again, but with the countdown to Christmas nearly starting we wanted to be a little before time again 😊

Firstly, we would like to say a huge thank you to all of you for your support and encouragement when we had our flood. To those of you who were affected by our closure days, we were so sorry as we knew it would impact on your working days however you were all super! Although we wish it hadn't happened, it was amazing to have such supportive families who helped us bounce back even quicker by your words of encouragement and support! We will get re-decorating as soon as we can, however as I'm sure most of you have seen our walls are being a little stubborn to dry out, so do bear with us and we will get it back to its usual self in no time.

**** Those effected by our closure days will see the refund deducted from your December invoice as emailed, unless otherwise arranged with us an alternative****

We have many exciting and lovely festive activities going on throughout December, I'm sure your little ones will come home with some Christmassy bits through the month, so don't forget to check their art folders 😊

Nursery Questionnaires: We are continuing to receive the odd questionnaire that had been lost at home but have had the majority back. Again, we would like to thank you for your lovely comments, and for those of you who made some suggestions for us, you will be pleased to know they have been put into action or added to our long-term action plan to ensure we include your thoughts and suggestions. A lot of you said a staff board would be nice to help you know everyone, so this is pride of place in our front entrance, if you haven't seen us, take a look next time you are in. 😊

Children in Need: We are very pleased to announce our dress up day, and cake/bake days raised a total of £83.60 for this fabulous charity, so Thank you for getting involved 😊

Named clothes: Now we have many hats, scarves, and gloves please can we ask that these are all named as they are very hard to keep track of. Also, now the garden is a little muddy (which we love of course) can we ask that you ensure your child has appropriate foot wear, and again that this is named. We do our best to remember whose everyone's is, but this really is a task for Mary Poppins herself, so your help would be much appreciated 😊

****Please make sure you bring in warm coats now, we access the garden in all weathers****

Rising Stars Christmas Carol Concert: Wednesday 19th December 2018; 4.30 - For those of you with a Pre-school child you should have all received a letter regarding our Christmas Carol concert, if for any reason you haven't please let any of the Rising starts ladies know as it has important details about our special event. As you will know from your letter, we are asking for a donation, anything received will go towards providing even more exciting resources for our Nursery. Tickets will go on Sale from the Rising Stars room from 3rd December 2018.

Xmas Jumper Day: Friday 14th December we will be holding a "Xmas Jumper day" for Save The Children Charity. Any donations will be gratefully received, and we hope you enjoy this little bit of Christmas fun too!

Continuing reminders from last month:

Important: Please can we remind parents/carers and anyone else who may drop off or collect your little one, that they **MUST NOT** let anyone else in the front door as they enter or leave, there are signs and I'm sure you have all read them, however for everyone's safety please ensure you know the rules. This is for the safety of all children, of course there is always staff on the ground floor to police this, however we would be extremely grateful if you could ensure everyone who enters the Nursery to collect your child ensures that the following rules are always followed:

1. Ensure the door is always closed when entering or leaving
2. Do not let anyone else in, even if you know them. Ensure the door is closed and allow the next person to buzz and be entered by staff.
3. **Mobile phones are not permitted in Nursery** so please do not take calls or answer messages when in Nursery, staff will ask you to put your phone away.

Dates for your Diary:

Christmas Shut Down dates: We will be closed for the week commencing 24th December 2018 (inclusive of bank holidays).

Bank Holiday Closures: Tuesday 1st January 2019

Term Time Families only: The Last day of Autumn term is Wednesday 19th December 2018, the first day back in the new year is Thursday 3rd January 2019. If you would like more Term Dates going forward, please just look on WSCC website, we follow their term dates for your convenience 😊

Kindest Regards, Natalie & The Friendly Fish Team

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