



## **Nursery Newsletter January 2020**

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year! We hope you all have an amazing Christmas time making lots of special memories with family and friends!

2019 was a great year for raising pennies for the less fortunate children around the world such as Children in need, Christmas jumper day & sport relief! Thanks to your generosity, we have raised lots of money this year – so Thank you all very much!

Our Pre-school carol concert at Littlehampton Baptist Church was amazing this year – your Rising Stars did such a fabulous job and we thank you all for such an amazing turn out to come and watch us. Thank you all who made lovely donations for your tickets – Preschool will enjoy spending this on new resources to add to our pre-school rooms in the new year.

A huge welcome to new families starting with us in January, we hope your little ones settle quickly and have as much fun as our current children enjoy each day. Should you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to ask your key person who you will meet and spend your prestart settles with. The office of course is always at the end of the phone or email should you have any queries at all.

Please can we remind parents/carers to ensure their children have **weather appropriate clothing and footwear every day**. The past couple of months have been extremely wet, windy and cold and as we take the children in the garden daily, we really do need them to be able to be wrapped up warm. Please can we also ensure that **wellies and clothes are named** – its very difficult to remember who everyone's wellies belong too 😊

**Please can we ask that you do not take wellies upstairs to put on as we try our best to keep the mud downstairs! Thank you in advance for your cooperation. If your work entails some muddy footwear – we would also much appreciate you taking your boots off downstairs – that way, we can keep our stair ways and the rooms clean and hygienic for the little ones.**

**School starters September 2020:** If you need any help with this you must come and speak with us urgently. Please send us an email if for any reason you have not completed your school application.

**Collections:** Please remember to arrive at least 10 mins before the end of your child's session, be this 1pm or 6pm. The ladies Thank you in advance for your co-operation with this.

**Your Children's bags** – Please ensure nothing is left in them during the day that should not be i.e. foods, medications.

## Continued Reminders

### Late Collections

We will be issuing late collection fees if parents/carers arrive past 1pm, 6pm – or indeed past your agreed collection time for your child if this is different.

Our late collection fee is £5 for anything up to 5 minutes late, and a £1 a minute there after. Please understand – our late fees are steep, and we are aware of this, however we have sent reminders, polite requests and spoken to individuals for the past two months, so this really is a last resort for us. We thank you in advance for your understanding and co-operation to collect within the session times.

### **Dates for your 2019/2020 Diary:**

**Christmas Shut Down Week 2019: We will be closed the w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 (inclusive of bank holidays) and will be closed on Wednesday January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.**

**Term Time Families only:** Term ends Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December and Starts on Monday January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The February 2020 half term is W/C 17<sup>th</sup> for the whole week, returning Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb! 😊

**Fee Payment – is the 3<sup>rd</sup> of every month** – Please ensure that your invoices are paid by the payment date of the 3<sup>rd</sup> of each month for that month. Your co-operation and timely payments are much appreciated,

Thank you to those who gave us lovely gifts over Christmas – they were very much appreciated by us all and kept us in constant supply of chocolate in our staff room which is always a fabulous addition! 😊

Once again, from all of us here – we wish you very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Kindest Regards, Natalie & The Friendly Fish Team.

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