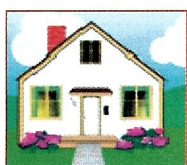




## Newsletter - November 2021

Dear Parents

We hope you have enjoyed the half term holiday and thank you to those who have already shared their "Story from home" sheet with us. If you haven't sent one in, please do so and we will add it to your child's special learning journal.



As you are aware ALL schools are still operating under difficult & challenging circumstances & things we took for granted & encouraged in the past we are not able to do anymore. This obviously includes having parents in school. Although the children will be taking part in Christmas activities including a Nativity concert it will be videoed and a DVD will be given to parents. This may feel, for parents, that they are missing out but I hope you understand that for the safety of all in the school community, we must adhere to our robust risk assessment and guidance.

Our topic theme this half term is "Celebrations", covering a range of learning opportunities for all the children, photographs of the children will appear on the school website and Dojo soon.



30 hour checker confirmation- Please can we remind parents who have not reconfirmed their codes to do so & let Mrs Marshall know by email. If we do not receive confirmation before 31<sup>st</sup> December then children will not be able to attend for 30 hours in January.

Car Park- Please can we ask parents/carers NOT to cut across the school car park when bringing & collecting children from school. Please use the side path & gate at all times.



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November Pyjama Day for Pudsey/Teddy Bears Picnic- We will be celebrating Children in Need and ask all children to come to nursery in their pyjamas (no slippers or onesies) and to bring a teddy. If you would like to make a donation to Children in Need there will be a Pudsey box at the entrance. We will be having lots of Pudsey activities and a teddy bears picnic.



Week Beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> November Parent Reviews- Mrs Henry will be conducting parent review meetings for all children by telephone. Further details of this will follow.



Coats, jumpers, hats, scarves, gloves and shoes- Please make sure your child's name is in all these things so it is easier for staff to match the items to your child, when they take them off.



Dress for the weather- As the weather is changing can we please ask children are dressed appropriately (i.e coats and hats) as the children access outside in all weathers.



Wellies- Remember your child can bring a pair of named wellies to nursery & leave them on the wellie stands under the outdoor canopy. (These are very useful on muddy and wet days!)



Application for school- It is essential you apply for a school place for your child to start school next September. This application must be made to the Local Authority by Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

Thank You to all who have given bulbs & plants for the garden. The children have thoroughly enjoyed planting & we look forward to beautiful displays of flowers in the spring.



Wanted- We are looking for toilet/kitchen roll tubes, yoghurt pots and Christmas decorations. If anyone has any, please send them in to nursery.



Foodbank Collections- Last year we collected for St Hild & St Helen's Church foodbank & were able to give a tremendous amount of goods to this worthwhile needy cause. We are looking to collect again & are asking for your kind support. This year we hope to give donations to both Dawdon Community Centre & the church for distribution amongst our local community. Donations (of dry, perishable goods including toiletries) can be left in the collection box outside the front door. We thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Thank you to all who generously gave to Nursery and Early Learners Sponsored Obstacle Course. A magnificent £2187.09 was raised. This money will be used towards the children's Christmas presents, activities, parties, Christmas visits out and about. Thank you.



Dates for Christmas Activities: more details will follow.

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December- Christmas Pantomime

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Craft and Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December- The Snowman Day

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Party

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Fun day

School closes- Friday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 2021 for Christmas & re-opens Wednesday January 5<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Thank you

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