



## DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

### **MORNING DROP OFF**

All children who are dropped off before 8.15am can be taken into the Dining Room for breakfast and juice where our staff will be waiting to greet them.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

We are having two Christmas Parties, all children are invited whether it is a day they would normally attend nursery or not.

**Bears, Bunnies and Hedgehogs - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2pm until 4pm**

If it is not a normal nursery day you are welcome to drop off your child at 2pm and collect at 4pm.

**Squirrels and Owls - Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2pm until 4pm.** If it is not a normal nursery day you are welcome to drop off your child at 2pm and collect at 4pm.

It would be appreciated if you could let a member of staff know if you will be bringing in your child for an idea of numbers and extra staff required.

### **DENTIST - WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 3PM UNTIL 4PM**

A dentist from Romiley Dental Practice is visiting the children in Squirrels and Owls. If your child is not in nursery on that afternoon you are welcome to bring them between 3pm and 4pm to listen to the dentist. The children will receive brushing charts and toothbrushes.

### **CAROL CONCERT - THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

All nursery children in on the Thursday morning will be attending St Mary's Church (next to the nursery) for a short carol concert at 10.45am. They will be singing Silent Night (whilst ringing bells), Away in a Manger and When Santa got stuck up the chimney. It would be lovely if all the children could have hats and scarves to wear for the service. We are then going to go into the Church Hall for mince pies and back to nursery in time for lunch. All of our staff will accompany the children. If any child does not want to go or becomes upset whilst at the church they will naturally be brought straight back to nursery.

### **INDOOR SHOES**

We have received our order of plimsolls, we have only managed to get sizes 5 to 10 at the moment. They are £2.50 a pair if you would like a pair please ask in the office. We would like all children in Hedgehogs, Squirrels and Owls to have indoor shoes from January, slippers etc. from home will suffice and we will keep them in their bag or on their hook.

### **FIRE DRILLS**

We are carrying out fire training sessions for the staff who have recently joined us so our fire bell may have to be rung at various times.

### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

The photographer, Jo, has asked us to inform all parents that she has extended the date for photographs to this Friday.

### **PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

As we have now been open for just over 3 months we would be obliged if you could take a minute to complete the attached questionnaire to enable us to provide the highest level of childcare possible. If you wish to complete the form anonymously just complete and place in Santa's Post Box by the back entrance.

### **SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN**

All the staff in our setting have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. Over the course of the next week you will be asked by staff to sign a safeguarding statement in accordance with the government guidelines regarding safeguarding children.

### **CHRISTMAS CLOSING DATES**

Please note that nursery is closed from 6.00pm on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December until 7.30am on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January, there is no charge for this period.

**WE HOPE THAT YOU ALL HAVE A LOVELY PEACEFUL  
CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**Love from the Hollins Wood Childcare Team**

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