

January 2019 Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

February 2019 Thursday 7th - Parent Information Evening 6pm to 8pm Monday 18th - Parent Partnership Meeting - 5pm March 2019 Friday 15th - Red nose day Friday 29th - Mother's Day Celebration June 2019 Saturday 8th June - Summer Fayre Friday 14th June - Father's Day Celebration July 2019 Friday 19th July - School Leavers Tea

Interests and Activities in Nursery

<u>Piglets</u>

The children have returned from the Christmas holiday and are really enjoying the water play and stacking cups and blocks. We will extend this interest by introducing stacking cups to the water tray for the children to fill and empty the water in the cups. We will also introduce a variety of objects to the water such as ice, pasta and rice. These activities will encourage the children to gain control over a variety of objects and to experiment with a range of materials.

Parent Participation - Donations of stacking cups, blocks, pasta and rice would be gratefully received for the children to have a greater variety of materials to explore.

<u>Tiggers</u>

The children have returned from the holiday showing a great interest in the role-play area especially the dolls. They have started to wash the dolls in the water tray on a daily basis this interest will be extended by encouraging the children to wash the dolls and their clothes, feed the dolls and take them for walks, encouraging the children to build stories around the toys they are playing with. The children are also enjoying rolling out the dough and using the shape cutters, this interest will be extended by encouraging the children to make a variety of models with the dough such as hedgehogs and dinosaurs enabling them to gain increasing control over malleable materials.

Parent Participation – Donations of any plastic toy dolls or dolls clothes for the children to use in their washing station would be gratefully received, thank you.

Christopher Robins

The children have returned from the Christmas break showing an interest in jigsaws and playing games. We are extending this interest by playing a variety of table top games with the children encouraging them to share and take turns while learning the rules of the games. The children will have an opportunity to make their own games using wrapping paper to make matching games and used cards to cut out their own jigsaws encouraging them to use one-handed tools such as scissors with increasing accuracy.

Parent participation – Donations of any old wrapping paper or cards would be extremely useful, thank you. Why not play a variety of different games with your child at home encouraging them to learn new rules and take turns.

Nursery News

Happy New Year

Welcome back everyone and A Happy New Year to you all. We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and all the best for 2019.

Parent Information Evening

Thursday 7th February 2019

This year our Parent Information Evening will be on Thursday 7th February from 6pm to 8pm. During the evening there will be a presentation on School Readiness for all the parents of those children who will be starting school in September 2019. There will also be information regarding toilet training, behaviour, language development, food and nutrition etc. Please let the office know if you have any ideas for areas that you would like us to include in this evening, thank you.

Parent Questionnaire

Please could you spend a few moments completing the parent questionnaire that will be e-mailed to you very soon. We welcome feedback at any time as it helps us to find out what we are doing well and any areas that we need to improve on. Keep a look out for this year's questionnaire arriving shortly, thank you.