

Date: November 2012

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you all had a nice little break during the half term.
We have a very busy time ahead with Christmas activities and performances and we may be looking for parents to help with costumes props etc for our little Christmas play.

The new EYFS is now in effect, the formats are working well as far as planning and observing are concerned but we will keep you regularly updated and informed with any changes.

**Staff are continuing to attend training this term to support the new changes.
We will still be observing your child regularly and recording their progress in their learning journeys and meeting with parents every term to discuss progress and development.**

**We hope you were all happy with your child's progress reviews, which were done in October. They are all doing so well and are a lovely group to work with.
If your child is under 3 we will be required as part of the EYFS Framework to assess them in a separate Progress check which will be done in the first year of Pre-school. Parents will be consulted regularly on this assessment to gather information to enable us to support your child.**

**If you want any information on the revised Framework you can visit
Foundationyears.org.uk**

You can also look at our medium planning which is available on the school website.

Here is a brief overview of some of the things we have planned in Pre-school for the next half term

Week 1 and 2

The 3 little pigs

We will be doing lots of activities relating to the 3 little pigs story. Making houses from various materials, investigating materials and lots of number games and songs.

Week 3 and 4

Goldilocks and the 3 bears

We will be doing lots of activities to do with the story, we will be focusing on size and number recognition.

Week 5 and 6

The Gingerbread Man

We will be looking at story repetition and encouraging the children to make up their own rhymes and songs to support Literacy development.

We will be baking gingerbread and making 3d Ginger bread people. This will be incorporated into Christmas activities.



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Week 7

Christmas!!!!

Lots of Christmas activities and fun!!!!!!!

In addition to the topic we also look at your child's interests and likes and use these in our weekly planning. You can see this in more detail in the little room.

'WOW' DOOR

We would like to continue to celebrate your child's achievements at home and in pre-school by displaying any certificates, photos, drawings even little post it notes, anything your child has done that you are proud of. We will display these on the Wraparound door, please feel free to stick things on at any time.

COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

We have a complaints policy for parents to follow in our Wraparound policies which are displayed on the notice board. We also display OFSTED contact details for parents who have any queries or issues regarding early years.

NAPPY SACKS

A poster has been displayed on our parents notice board alerting parents to the dangers of nappy sacks, please take a moment to read, and if you require any more information please let a member of staff know.

SICK CHILDREN

IF YOUR CHILD HAS HAD SICKNESS OR DIARRHOEA PLEASE ALLOW 48 HOURS BEFORE THEY ARE BROUGHT BACK TO PRE-SCHOOL.

If they have any infectious illnesses such as chicken pox could you please let us know so we can alert other parents.

If your child takes poorly during Pre-school staff will judge whether they need to be taken home and will inform parents in the first instance.

Please be aware that we cannot administer Calpol etc, only medication prescribed by a doctor and with a full medical form filled out by the parent/carer beforehand.

PARENT HELP

We always welcome any parent/carer wanting to help in pre-school, it could be to read a story, sing some songs, anything you like!!!! See a member of staff if you are interested and can spare the time.

If you would like to be a regular helper in pre-school, you will need to be CRB checked. This is part of our Safeguarding policy for adults who come into contact with children on a regular basis and is a Statutory requirement.

The forms can be obtained from the school office.

If you need more details please see a member of staff.



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CHANGE OF DETAILS

If your details have changed recently ie mobile phone number, or address can you please let a member of our staff know for our files.

OUTDOOR CLOTHING

We spend lots of time outdoors so can you please ensure your child has appropriate clothing eg wellies, coat/waterproofs, sunhats and cream for the hot weather (if we get any.)
On very hot days can you please ensure your child has appropriate sun cover, we can apply sunscreen if it is your child's own and is labeled accordingly. We can not use other children's cream on your child as this could cause allergic reactions.

SNACK TIME

Our snack system last term was a great success so we would like to continue again this term. There is a list on the notice board with suggestions of food for parents to provide.
At the moment we are running low on fruit, cheese, bread, crumpets etc so your contributions are greatly appreciated.

PRESCHOOL FUNDS

As ever your contributions are invaluable to our funds to help with resources, paints, paper etc. If you have paper, card wrapping paper you will not use please feel free to bring in.

EMAIL

Sending newsletters via email helps us reduce printer ink cost as well as saving paper etc. We will still have a copy of newsletters etc on the Wraparound notice board but if you prefer a hard copy or have problems accessing the files please let me know.

Stay n play continues to run every Tuesday and is led by Sharon Birdsall and Isobel Anderson.

School lunches-Pre-school children can stay for lunch every day.

Price is £2.00 per day and this MUST be paid either in advance or on the day your child is staying.

Please put in an envelope or money bag with the amount and name on and hand it to any member of pre-school staff but NOT Carol.

Children staying for lunch must be picked up by 12.45 prompt.

PRE-SCHOOL SESSIONS Begin at 8.45 and finish at 11.45.



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Can you please ensure you drop off and pick your child up promptly at these times, if by any reason you are late in picking your child up, please let us know by calling the pre-school mobile or school.

If parents are continuously late in picking their child up we will have to consider charging for this to cover staff wages.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FRIDAY 16TH NOVEMBER-CHILDREN IN NEED....Children can come to Pre-school dressed in their pajamas or something spotty....donations will be gratefully accepted.

TUESDAY 11TH DECEMBER- Pre-school Trip to northern Stage. Please note that Pre-school will be closed on that day but Stay n Play will continue to run from 1.30.

TUESDAY 18TH DECEMBER-Pre-school performance 9.30 am.

Parents can bring their child in at the usual time and the group room will be available for parents while they wait.

This will be followed by tea and mince pies.

WEDNESDAY 19TH DECEMBER-School Party-As in previous years All Pre-school children are invited to attend the party, however if your child is not due to go into reception next September then they must be accompanied by an adult. This is to keep our child/staff ratios correct.

THURSDAY 20TH DECEMBER-CHRISTMAS DINNER, Again all Pre-school children are invited but must be collected by 12.45.

Please let a member of staff know if you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner. (It is totally yummy as always!!)

FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER-Break up for Christmas returning Monday 7th January 2013!!!!

Fees for our Wraparound services are as follows.

Preschool session fee is £5.50

Stay'n Play for those staying for lunch is £5

Afterschool first child rate £2.50/hr 2nd child £1.25 per hr

breakfast club-£1.50.

Thankyou for your continued support

PATSY, SHARON, JAYNE AND CAROLINE



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