



October/November 2018 – Newsletter

Welcome back and we hope you all had a great half term with Halloween Parties and Fireworks during the half term break.

This half term we have lots in store for children and parents too!

We start the 1st week back with dressing up for Halloween, so if your child would like to participate then please let them, it may be a good idea to bring their normal clothes in their bags too.



Children In Need



Let's help make a difference. Would your child like to dress up as a superhero for the week (optional) and make a donation of £1 towards 'Children In Need'? We plan to support this during the week of the 12th November.

Its good opportunity to talk to the children to raise their awareness of others less fortunate than themselves. We hope everyone can join in and help to make a small contribution towards this worthy cause. Thank you

Remembrance Sunday - Sunday 11th November at Eastington Church

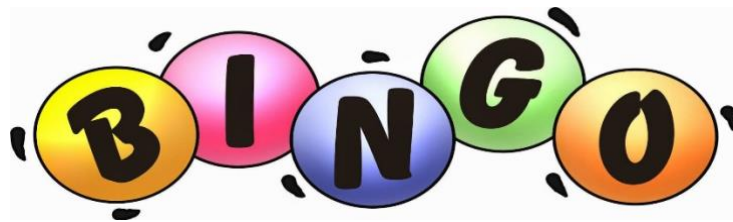


The children have been busy making purple and red poppies to remember the brave animals and people who lost their lives in war for our country.

The church will be having a **poppy drop** from the tower with poppies in the church that children can colour and drop, between **12.15-12.30 on Sunday 11th November. Everyone is welcome to join in.**

School Places September 2019

***** Please read the poster in the foyer which explains about primary school places for your child for September 2019. You should automatically receive a letter in November, however, if you do not there are contact details listed on this notification. *****



Come along and join the fun at our BINGO evening which is on

Friday 30TH NOVEMBER at the OHMG,

Fantastic prizes on offer

Bring along your friends for a fun evening and support playgroup.

£2.00 entrance includes a glass of something from our bar.

Doors open at 7pm, eyes down for 7.30pm

Tickets available from Playgroup

We look forward to seeing everyone!



Children's learning progress reports

At the of beginning December we are sending out children's progress reports together with learning journeys for you to read (unless you have recently had a 4 week review). If you have any questions regarding these then please feel free to speak to your child's keyperson who will be happy to explain any queries that you might have. Please can we have these both back after one week as we need to continue to update them. Thank you.

To follow this up we will be holding a parents evening on Monday 11th February from 3pm onwards. There will be an appointment system for slots in the foyer nearer the time.

Outstanding fees

If you have any fees that are outstanding then please arrange to pay these as soon as possible, or if you are having problems then please speak to either Michelle or Mandy who are happy to help discuss options available. Thank you.

Christmas Nativity Play



Our Nativity this year is called 'The Greatest Day' and we will be releasing parts for the play the week commencing 12th November.

Parents will be asked to provide an appropriate costume, this can be homemade or purchased.

The play will be on Thursday 20th December at 1pm which is our last day of the Autumn

term. Parents, carers, and family will all be welcome to come and enjoy the performance and we welcome helpers on the day for serving refreshments, selling raffle tickets and afterwards there will be a chance to purchase your child's Christmas craft items that they have personally made.

Topics and important dates for the half term

29th October – Halloween *dressing up (optional)*.

5th November – Diwali, making clay tea lights, making poppies for the church
Remembrance Sunday - Sunday 11th November at Eastington Church

12th November – **Children in need week** – children can dress up as a superhero. £1 donation please. Talking about keeping ourselves safe, pants are private. Looking at understanding the world, floating and sinking, magnets paper rockets experiments.

19th November – talking about being kind and sharing linked to books – The Rainbow Fish – making a large display with comments from the children.

26th November - MONDAY INSET DAY NO PLAYGROUP

27th November – looking at different senses, food tasting, sensory play, exploring textures.

30th November – **BINGO** evening at OHMG 7pm **TICKETS ON SALE AT PLAYGROUP**

3rd December – Reports out to parents. Letters to Santa

10th December – Making Christmas cards/crafts

11th December - Trip to school for Nativity Play for those children attending on Tuesday mornings only (TO BE CONFIRMED)

17th December – Baking and finally our **Nativity performance Thursday 20th at 1pm**

Half term holiday MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!!!!

Monday 7th January INSET DAY

Tuesday 8th January we return to playgroup for a new term.

Our playgroup offers care and education for all children from 2 ½ years to 4 years 11 months in a well established community based group.

We offer your children a safe and stimulating environment in which they can grow and blossom into self confident, self reliant and positive little people.

Our ultimate goal is to enable the children to have fun, explore and have the freedom to express their individuality, while forming the basis of their education.

Our playgroup operates 4 days a week offering full and half day sessions and we accept government nursery vouchers and other types of employer supported childcare vouchers.

If you would like more details please contact Michelle our administrator.

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