



January 2019 – Newsletter

**We welcome back all the children to Playgroup and hope that everyone had a great Christmas and we wish everyone a very Happy New Year!**

The children enjoyed participating in the nativity play 'The Greatest Day' for which we had been rehearsing many times beforehand and we saw some possible future actors for BAFTA awards one day! Well done to everyone involved especially to the helpers on the day, fundraisers who sourced raffle prizes and kind parent donations of cakes. We managed to raise £292 so a big **thank you** once again for your generosity, we hope everyone was suitably entertained!!!



At the end of the term we sent you out a Christmas list for homework and hope you that you have had time to complete it. This will help us write thank you letters which we will be doing the first week back, it's always interesting to hear what the children enjoyed over Christmas and what they can recall.

If anyone wishes to increase their children's sessions then please let us know and we will see what spaces we have available. Our contact details are at below.

## **Parents Information Afternoon**

We are running a parent's information afternoon on **Monday 11th February from 3-5pm** and we will be inviting parents in for a chat about children's learning progress – alternatively if you are unable to make this date you can arrange to do a duty and we can make time during the session. Letters will be sent out in trays and you can indicate your preference. This chat will let us have the opportunity to discuss your child's learning, interests and next steps to build upon both at home and Playgroup – we look forward to seeing you all.



## **Update information**

Don't forget to let us know if you have changed your phone number or have any changes in address, medical/health information that we should know about – you may have had a new mobile for Christmas!!

## **Photographer**



The photographer will be coming on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February in the morning to take photos for Mother's Day presents. If your child does not attend this session, then please put your child's name down on the list in the foyer nearer the time and we will arrange to fit your child in for a photo.



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

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 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!



**And lastly a big thank you for all your lovely Christmas presents!!**

### Topics for the half term

**8th Jan** – Children start back today settling into routines. Thank you letters and recalling Christmas events, Thursday afternoon – Dance lessons

**14<sup>th</sup> Jan** – ‘Preschools Got Talent’, singing and dancing, rhythms and painting to music.

**21st January** – Occupations, Wednesday – walk to the Kings Head for a drink in the afternoon.

**28th January** – Occupations continued, police visit Monday.

**4th February** – Chinese New Year, year of the pig. Food tasting

**11th February** - Valentines Day, making keepsakes, discussing emotions.

### **Dates for your diary**

**7th Jan** – In service day

8th Jan Playgroup 1<sup>st</sup> day

Monday 11th February 3-5pm – Parent information afternoon by appointment.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February – photographer

14<sup>th</sup> February – last day of term

Half term holiday

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 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.**

We currently have a few spaces left and operate 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 our administrator Michelle

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