



January 2020 – 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 Magic of Christmas' 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 and kind parent donations of cakes. We managed to raise £298.05 so a big **thank you** once again for your generosity, we hope everyone was suitably entertained!!!



This year we have sent out a Christmas recall sheets 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.

## **Parents Information Afternoon**

We are running a parent's information afternoon on **Tuesday 11th February from 3-5pm** and we will be inviting parents in for a chat about children's learning progress – 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. Time slots will be in the foyer nearer the time, please look out for them.



## **Topics for the future**

We are planning to cover occupations in the area of learning of understanding the world. In the past we have had parents come in to talk to the children about their jobs. Occupations that we have covered were a nurse/doctor, vet nurse, shop keeper and a hairdresser. If anyone is interested in helping us we would love to hear from you, any occupation is welcome.

## **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 Tuesday 4<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 7<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 finally a big thank you for all your lovely Christmas presents!!**

## Topics for the half term

6<sup>th</sup> January INSET DAY

**7<sup>th</sup> January -Thank you cards and talking about Christmas**

**13<sup>th</sup> January – talking and exploring Winter.**

**20<sup>th</sup> January – Chinese New Year – Year of the Rat, Chinese food tasting.**

**27<sup>th</sup> January – The story of the **Gingerbread Man**, recall and act out the story**

**3<sup>rd</sup> February – cooking gingerbread men, make story boards**

**4<sup>th</sup> February – Photographer in morning**

**10<sup>th</sup> February – Valentines day, cards making heart cookies**

### **Dates for your diary**

**6th Jan – In service day - closed**

**7th Jan Playgroup 1<sup>st</sup> day**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb Photographer am**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Bingo evening**

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

**13<sup>th</sup> February – last day of term**

Half term holiday

Monday 24<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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