

4<sup>th</sup> November 2019



## Fee Increase from January 2020

There will be a fee increase to £5.00/hr from January 2020 as a result of increases in our running costs.

## Nicki Leaving

We are sad to say that Nicki will be leaving us this week to start a new job at South Wilts as their Trips & Events Co-ordinator.

Nicki has been with us for the last 7 years and we will miss her input and her amazing organisational abilities. We are sure you will join us in wishing her well in her new post.

## General Election - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

We are unable to have the hall so will be elsewhere, more details to follow.

## Christmas Tree Festival - St Thomas' Church, Salisbury

We have submitted an entry to the Christmas Tree Festival entitled 'Plastic Free Tree'.

We will use this opportunity to explore the use of plastics with the children and how to use all resources responsibly, and with as little waste as possible: **Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**

## Parent Meetings - All welcome

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 9:15 am - **Behaviour Strategies**

A chance to discuss some of the common behaviour issues that occur and share strategies and advice.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 9:15am - **Phonics, Reading and Writing**

How can you support your child to develop their skills in preparation for reading and writing at school? A chance to find out about 'Letters and Sounds', explore different games and techniques, and learn some of the do's and don'ts.

## Open Morning for Prospective Parents

We will be holding an Open Morning on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November for anyone interested in their child coming to join us at Pre-School. The Open Morning will be between 9.15-11.45am and will be a chance for prospective parents to drop in and see what we do. If you know of anyone who might be interested in attending, then please do ask them to contact us beforehand.

## Starting School in September 2020?

Apply for a school place by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

## Keeping your Child Safe and Well

In this newsletter we will be focussing on burn awareness, following some worrying statistics released by the SafeTea Campaign.

Did you know:

- Every day the NHS treats over 30 babies and small toddlers for a hot drink burn? Many of these are life-altering injuries.



- 60% of all under 3's who go to A&E departments with a burn are due of a hot drink.
- Accidents from hot drinks can cause deep burns and disfiguring scars on children.

What should you do?

- Keep any hot drinks well out of reach of children
- If an accident happens you need to **COOL, CALL, COVER**
  - **Cool** the affected area under running water for at least 20 minutes
  - **Call** 999 or your GP for advice
  - **Cover** the affected area loosely with cling film

We have a selection of leaflets from the Child Accident Prevent Trust (CAPT) which are available to pick up by the baskets. Please help yourself to any you would like.

Alternatively you can view safety advice at:

<https://www.capt.org.uk/Pages/Category/safety-advice-injury-types>

### Emergency Closure

In extreme weather, or severe bouts of illness, such as a pandemic illness, we may have to close the pre-school. Where possible we will try to inform you the night before. Otherwise we will endeavour to ring you before you leave home in the morning. **Please make sure your contact details are correct.**

We will normally make a decision about closure by 7:45am and will contact those children who come to Pre-School early first.

In extreme weather, please ring the mobile 'phone before travelling.

### Class Fundraising

All orders have now been placed for Class Fundraising. There will be a number of parcels arriving over the next couple of weeks with different parts of the order, so you may not get all items at the same time.

### Save the Children - Winter / Christmas Jumper Day - Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec

In a change from Children in Need, this year we will be raising money for Save the Children, by taking part in their Jumper Day. All pre-school children are invited to wear a Winter or Christmas jumper to pre-school during the week and donate £1 for Save the Children. Please **do not** go and buy a jumper - decorate one you have with anything wintery!

### Diary Dates

Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Open Morning 9.15 - 11.45am
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	9:15 am Behaviour Strategies
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	9:15 am Reading and Writing
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Tree Festival @ St Thomas' Church
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	General Election
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Decemebr	Winter / Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party and End of Term 2
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Start of Term 3

Best Wishes, Carrie, Emma, Laura, Danni & Wendy.