



St. Catherine's Nursery Class Newsletter December 2016

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School Registration

Registration for children due to begin school in **August 2016** will take place on **Wednesday 11th January 2017 (A-L) and Thursday 12 January 2017 (M-Z) from 1.00pm - 3.00pm**. Children must be enrolled for school using the name which appears on the birth certificate, which must be produced at the time of registration. The school handbook will be available at this time for anyone who wishes a copy. Please see information on nursery door.

Weather

Please ensure that weather appropriate clothing is worn as your children will be involved in outdoor learning every day. As the weather can be very cold at this time of year a waterproof jacket, hat, scarf and gloves and sensible footwear should be worn. Providing your child with a change of shoes to leave in nursery would be very much appreciated.

Absences

Please remember to phone the nursery mobile if your child will be absent from nursery, thank you.

Password

If you are not collecting your child from nursery and it is not someone we know we will ask you to provide a password. The password will change each time this happens.

Bookbug - Busy Bee Room

Thank you to all of our parents for attending our Bookbug sessions.

We encourage you to come along if you can and enjoy storytelling, rhymes and songs with your child.

- AM parents on a Tuesday morning 9.00am-9.30am
- PM parents on a Thursday afternoon 1.00pm-1.30pm.

Families First

Our final workshops are as follows:

- 2.12.16 Employment and Volunteer Opportunities
- 9.12.16 Being Creative for Christmas
- 16.12.16 Being Creative for Christmas and Theraplay

There will be tea and coffee available and hamper raffle prizes. Please add your name to the list at the entrance.

Parent Group

Our next meeting is planned for **3pm** this coming **Friday 2nd December** this will allow for our parents that have children in the school to attend too. Tea and coffee will be available and we will provide activities for any children that come along too. Please enter the school via the main school entrance.

Fund Raising

This term's fund raising event is to 'Wear something Christmassy' will take place on **Thursday 15th December**. This can be anything from a Santa hat, Christmas jumper, socks or a decoration from your tree! The cost of this is £1 per child and it will go towards our nursery funds. This is as always voluntary, thank you as always for your continued support.

Learning Experiences

This term your children have been having great fun learning about musical instruments, the season of Winter and are now getting Christmassy. Thank you as always for your generous donations this term we have purchased materials for baking, Science experiments, Christmas decorations and party food. Thank you for your continued support.

Christmas Party

Your children can come to nursery in their Christmas Party clothes on **Friday 16th December 2016**. Children will enjoy party games and treats and I believe a special visitor will visit the nursery too! If you would like to see your child receive their present from Santa, please come to the nursery door at the following times:

AM children - **11.15am**

PM children - **3.15pm**

Christmas Show

Our annual Christmas Show 'Christmas Songs Old and New' will be performed on **Monday 19th December**. You will receive your two free tickets week beginning 5.12.16. You can then purchase a further two additional tickets at £2 each from our nursery staff. A text will go out if there are any tickets left over which can then be purchased on a first come first served basis. Can we please ask that the children come to nursery on this day wearing something Christmassy this can be a Christmas jumper, dress, tinsel...

Raffle

Thank you to our parents that have kindly donated items for our Christmas hamper. Donations are still welcome! Raffle tickets will go on sale on **Monday 5th December** and the prize winner will be announced at our Christmas Show.

Christmas holidays

School will close at 2:30pm on **Tuesday 20th December** for the Christmas holidays and will reopen at 9:00am on **Thursday 5th January 2016**.

Dates for your diary!

December

- 2 Parent Group meeting
- 12 Liz Murray
- 15 Wear something Christmassy
- 16 Christmas Party
- 19 Christmas Show 11.30am/2.30pm
- 20 School closes for Christmas break 2.30pm

January

- 5 Pupil's return
- 11 Primary 1 registration
- 12 Primary 1 registration

I would like to say a very big thank to all of our parents, pupils and staff for a fantastic Term 2. It has been wonderful to see our nursery thriving and most importantly our children learning in so many different ways. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a very prosperous New Year and look forward to working with you all in Term 3!

Mrs Henry

Achievements

We encourage your children to tell us about their achievements out with school we are sure that we do not know about lots of things however big or small, for this reason we would like your help. If you feel your child has accomplished something for the first time, improved in something or has achieved an award please let us know by completing the slip below. This will be shared with all the children during welcome time and added to our achievement records.

I would like
(name) _____

To be recognised for his/her achievement in

He/She: _____

Parent/ Carer signature: _____ Date: _____