

Nov 2016 to Jan 2017



## **EVENTS AND REMINDERS**

### **Winter Clothing**

Well it seems that summer has well and truly ended. As the cold wet weather descends can we please ask that you ensure that your child has a warm coat, hat, gloves and wellington boots to that we can enjoy the outdoor area.

We would also ask that you take any summer hats home for safe keeping.

Thank you.

### **Children in need**

We will be taking part in children in need this year. On Friday 18th November we would like to invite all the children to dress in spots for the day. All we ask for is a £1 donation towards this worthy cause.

### **Shoe box Appeal**

We will once again be taking part in The Samaritans- Operation Christmas Child Appeal.

There will be a number of leaflet for parents and we will also be producing a number of boxes ourselves. Any donations of shoe boxes or things to go inside them would be greatly appreciated.

### **New Nursery Website**

We have been busily working on a new nursery website. It is now in its final stages and we are very excited for you all to see it. A letter will follow shortly to formally introduce the site to you.

We hope you like the finished product as much as we do.

### **Christmas**

Our nursery Christmas party will be held on Friday 23rd December at 10am till 12 noon. Further information will follow and we hope you can all join us to join in the festivities. There will be lots of fun and games as well as a lovely buffet.

### **School Holidays**

Christmas Holiday  
18th Dec 2016 to 4th Jan 2017

February Half Term  
20th Feb to 24th Feb 2017

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Nursery Closures for 2016/17**

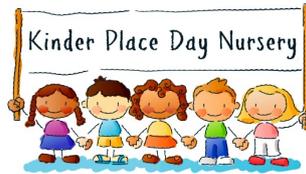
Please Note the Nursery is due to close on the following days:

Christmas Holiday  
we will close Friday 23rd Dec 2016 and reopen on  
Tuesday 3rd Jan 2017

If you use reduced hours during non-term time please note these date on your calendar.

Thank you

Please see below our procedure for closure due to snow. This is a very rare occurrence and any decision to close is not taken lightly. However we feel it is important to have this in place for the safety of children, staff and parents.



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1<sup>st</sup> November 2016

Dear Parents

### **Procedure for Nursery Closure Due to Snow**

Detailed below is the nursery's procedure with regard to heavy snowfalls during the winter months. It is important you keep this information in a safe place for reference.

If the decision is taken to close the Nursery early in the day after the normal start time, parents will be contacted at work and asked to collect their children as soon as possible. The decision to close will be based on weather reports, the prevailing conditions and the concerns for the safety of children and staff at the Nursery. In the past we have had difficulties in contacting parents, we would ask that you ensure staff are informed of your whereabouts at all times and that the contact phone numbers you have given on the Registration Form are up to date; if in doubt ask to see your child's Registration Form.

If there has been a heavy fall of snow during the night and it is deemed unsafe for staff to get to work, an announcement will be made on the local radio as soon as possible after 7 a.m. The hospital switchboard will also be informed. We will not take any undue risk with regard to the safety of staff or children and will allow ourselves to be guided by the information given out by the A.A. and Police as to the suitability of opening or not.

We would like also to point out that if some Nursery staff are unable to get into work we cannot allow the normal number of children on the premises. Our registering body has made it quite clear that, even if it is due to adverse weather conditions, they will insist that correct staffing ratios are maintained. We therefore would ask that parents consider whether they are emergency service staff and if not could they possibly keep their child at home.

We are sure you will understand the need to have these procedures in place and trust that you will find them useful if we need to use them.

Should you have any queries with regard to these procedures, please speak to the Nursery Director or Manager.

Regards

*Nichole Swithenbank*

Director

### **Finally**

Please look out for more things going on in nursery on our notice boards  
and on our Facebook page.  
Thank you for your continued support.