

Pond Park Nursery School

January Newsletter





HAPPY NEW YEAR !

Dear Parent,

We trust you all had a lovely Christmas break and we would like to wish you and your family a very happy new year. All the children are happily settled into Nursery again after the holidays and we look forward to another fun filled term!

This month we will focus on the theme of Winter - many of the learning experiences your child will be involved in will be linked to the weather and seasonal changes including making seed cakes for the birds. As usual we will be playing outdoors at the start of every day so please send your child to school each day with a warm hat, mittens and warm layers. Wellington boots can be cold so wearing two pairs of warm socks is advisable! Your child may also wear a coat or a fleece under his/her suit if it becomes very cold. If school needs to close due to adverse weather conditions we will let you know via the SeeSaw app and information will also be posted on the BBC website.

The online application process for Nursery enrolment (September 2020) is now open and completed applications should be submitted **before 12 noon on Thursday 30th January**. It would be greatly appreciated if you could inform friends and relatives who may have a child eligible for a pre-school place next year.

Please also remember to apply for your child's Primary School place. Completed applications should also be submitted online by **12 noon on Thursday 30th January**. The web address for Nursery and P1 applications is www.eani.org.uk

We are looking forward to the new term ahead and hope the children will continue to enjoy their experiences in Nursery over the next few weeks.

Yours sincerely,

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CHRISTMAS CHARITY DONATION

We would like to thank you for your contribution to our charity collection at the Nursery Nativities. The amount of £61.00 was collected which has been donated to the Marie Curie Cancer Fund.

A big thank you also for the lovely Christmas presents we received at the end of term. Your kindness and generosity is very much appreciated.

BIG BEDTIME READ

Our 'Big Bedtime Read' project begins this term and book bags will be sent home each Friday. The children can enjoy the books for a week at home and then return the bag to school on or before the following Thursday. An information letter about the project will follow and we hope you will enjoy reading with your child at home.

If you are free you could help us by staying at the beginning of your child's session on Fridays to monitor returns and distribute bags. A time table for 'Book Bag duty' will be put up in the hallway and your help will be much appreciated!

'CHANGING LIVES' - PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

An information and awareness session for the 'Changing Lives' initiative will take place in school on Tuesday 28th January at 9.15am. A leaflet outlining the main aspects of the programme will be sent home and a flier for the information session is included with this letter. Please speak to a member of staff if you have any questions.

ECO SCHOOLS

Promoting an eco friendly ethos is an important aspect of school life - the children are encouraged to use both sides of any paper they use. The children also learn to re-use any items that they can and uneaten food waste is put in the compost bin. Children are encouraged daily to save energy and switch off lights and not waste water. This also includes recycling batteries which can be placed in a box in the office.

Also remember to re-cycle any unwanted clothing, shoes etc and place in our textile bin beside the bottom gate. Thank you.

NURSERY FUND

School fund for Term 2 can now be paid at your earliest convenience. The amount is £16 for the month or £50 for term 2 (January - March). Thank you once again for your support.

Dates for your Diary

Tues 28th Jan: 'Changing Lives' Parent Info session
Thurs 30th Jan (12 noon) : closing date for Nursery
and Primary 1 applications
Half term holidays : Mon 17th to Fri 21st February



CHANGING LIVES INITIATIVE

Are you concerned about your child's behaviour?

- Easily distracted?
- Messy and disorganised?
- Loses interest quickly?

Or

- Never sits still?
- Has difficulty waiting his/her turn?
- Acts without thinking?

Come along to find out more about inattentive, hyperactive or impulsive behaviours in young children (aged 3-7 yrs) and how we can help.

Date/Time: Tues 28th Jan '20 @ 9.15am - 11am

Venue: Pond Park Nursery School

**(PLEASE NOTE IF THIS TIME IS UNSUITABLE PLEASE
CONTACT A MEMBER OF SCHOOL STAFF)**

***Please feel free to come along or for information contact
the team on 028 9691 9960***