



# Beechdale Nursery School

## Newsletter

November / December 2019

### Forest School Fancy Dress Fundraisers

Thank you for all your support last term when we had our fancy dress day to raise money for our Forest School.

*We raised £37.00*

Thank you!

### School Fund

Thank you for your regular donations to our school fund. So far this term we have purchased cooking materials, creative materials and Forest School supplies. In addition, we are funding our Christmas party and gifts from the fund. Your generosity is much appreciated.

### Parents Meetings

Please note that the time sheets are now up and running in the porch area of Nursery—if you would like to make an appointment with your key worker to talk about how your children has settled into Nursery please put your name down on the sheet.



### Library Books



Enjoying books and **reading** stories from a very early age is crucial in the development of children. It helps with their ability to understand words, use their imagination and develop their speech, as well as being something they really enjoy.

Library books—we have a selection of books that are available to borrow on a weekly basis from Nursery. Every Friday your child will select a book to borrow during group time. Please could you return your book to Nursery the following Thursday—there will be a box to drop your book in in the main entrance of Nursery.

**This will begin on Friday 8th November**

### Children in Need

This year Children in Need is going to be held on Friday 15th November. The children are invited to come into Nursery that day in anything spotty—this might just be a spotty pair of socks or spotty t shirt, this is optional so please do not go out and buy anything special this.



### Beechdale Bear packs his bags to jet off to Nepal

During the week of the 18th November Beechdale Bear will be in Nepal, Kathmandu at our partner Nursery school. The children have now been introduced to the school and began to think about and talk about what the school might be like all the way in Kathmandu. We have talked about the fact that Kathmandu is a long way from Consett and that you will need to get an aeroplane there! We have also started to compare things you might see in Kathmandu and Consett. This is a difficult concept for the children to understand, but when they see Beechdale Bear jet off and return with real pictures and objects this will support their learning. Mrs Graham and Mrs Piggott will be going to Nepal with Beechdale Bear for the week! This will be an extremely exciting opportunity, they will both be spending time with the children in our partner Nursery school and sharing what life is like for us back in Consett.

### Drama Tots Christmas Party

We would like to say a huge Thank you to one of our parents who put our name down to win a competition to host a special Drama Tots Christmas Party session—we heard the news just before half term that she was lucky enough to win! The party day is going to take place on Wednesday the 18th December. Look out for more information to follow about this event.



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### Round Robin



On **Thursday 5th December** you will have the opportunity to come into Nursery and join your child for a 2 hour session to help, support and work as a team to make a selection of wonderful Christmas Crafts. The Nursery is transformed into different craft stations and your time will be spent working your way around each station with your child making and creating, you then get the opportunity to listen to a special Christmas Story—it's a great day one not to be missed. Tickets for the event will be available to purchase for a donation of £2.00 from the 20th November. Please note due to space in the Nursery you can only purchase 1 ticket per child; this event is not suitable for younger siblings.

**Morning session 9.00—11.00 (Monkeys am, Crocs and Snakes), afternoon session 12.30-2.30 (Monkeys pm and Lions)**

Please feel free to wear a festive jumper and remember to bring a bag to take all your Christmas crafts safely home.



Any questions about the day please do not hesitate to ask.

### Christmas Nativity

Tickets go on sale for our Christmas Nativity on the week of the 25th November. Families can purchase up to 4 tickets and will be on sale for £1.00 (programme, cup of tea and mince pie will be included in the price) Please see your child's nativity date and time below:

| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December |                                   | Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December |                                   |
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| Morning Performance              | Afternoon Performance             | Morning Performance              | Afternoon Performance             |
| 9.30-10.15am                     | 1.00-1.45pm                       | 9.30-10.15am                     | 1.00-1.45pm                       |
| Lions Key Worker Group           | Snake Key Worker Group            | Lions Key Worker Group           | Snake Key Worker Group            |
| Morning Monkey Key worker Group  | Afternoon Monkey Key Worker Group | Morning Monkey Key worker Group  | Afternoon Monkey Key Worker Group |
| Crocs Group 1                    | Crocs Group 2                     | Crocs Group 1                    | Crocs Group 2                     |

### Mr Merlin's Christmas Party Friday 20th

On the last day of term we will be having a special Christmas Party Day for all the children. All children are invited into Nursery from 8.45-9am and will need to be collected at 12.15pm. The children will be taking part in Christmas dancing, singing, magic shows and balloon modelling. Party clothes can be worn on this day! They might even get a visit from a very special person...

### Keepsake Memory Christmas Bauble

It's that time of year again when we start to think about getting festive and singing Christmas songs! This year we will be making some fantastic Christmas baubles that will contain a gorgeous nativity picture of your child, the date and Nursery logo. These will be available to buy for £4.00 a bauble after the Christmas Nativity days—you will have the opportunity to order as many as you like for family members etc. Please note these will be available to buy via parent pay.



**Please note we break up from our Christmas Holiday on Friday 20th December and return to school on Tuesday the 7th January**

