

Ollie's News

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Do you require a paper copy of this newsletter? If so please let Mrs Cocks know.

Welcome back to Ollie's! We hope you have all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year. The children have been extremely excited telling us about their Christmas and the presents they have received and we have enjoyed looking at the pictures you have sent via Tapestry. If you haven't uploaded any as yet, it's not too late, and the children always think it's fabulous that we can share these special times with them, looking at the pictures together and sharing them with their friends.

"Brrrrr, it's freezing!" - This week has been a cold week, and we have been having lots of talk about ice and "Jack Frost" and looking around us outside at the grass being white and talking about how there is ice on cars and the water is frozen.

Letters and sounds, numbers: This week we have started looking at the letter and sound "n" and we already have some items for the sound table - thank you. shall be recapping the letters, sounds and numbers we have looked at from the beginning of September. The children really enjoy using the items they bring in from home to support their learning of the sound. As the children do have access to the sound table, it is advisable not to bring anything to precious. You may wish to take a photo instead and send it to your child's key person to print off as we could use that as well. You may wish to look at "youtube" by following the link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EYx1CyDMZSc&t=2s> for extra guidance.

Stay and Play: Our next "Stay and Play" will be Tuesday the 15th January 2019 at 9am until 10am and the one after that will be Friday 8 February 2019. Why not come and see your child in their learning environment and join in the fun?

Primary School Places: Have you applied for your child's primary school place for September 2019? The deadline is the 15th January 2019.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-for-a-primary-school-place/?fbclid=IwAR1YHB41twwV9naTpQH6vAy3K6eeJeIvz3K5XAN4SC6HPxM8ZkWB3EFsA0o>

Blue Bag Scheme: We shall be arranging for a blue bag collection for the 5 February. We are still awaiting the bags, but will be placed in your child's locker as soon as they arrive. This is an Ollie's fundraiser whereby you can send in your unwanted clothes etc., and they are weighed in for Ollie's. Further details will be sent out in January.

Education Sunday: On Sunday 27 January it is "Education Sunday" at St. Mary's church which you are invited to attend. The service starts at 11.15am and you are all very welcome to attend.

Nativity Ticket Sales and the Christmas Raffle Hamper: We raised a fantastic of £465.50. Thank you so much. Just to reassure everyone these monies are spent on resources for your children - with our current focus on the outdoors.

Looking for a recommendation: We are looking to improve the drainage in our grassed area, can anyone recommend anyone who does this? Please let Mrs Cocks know.

Use of mobile phones in nursery: Please could I remind ALL parents that mobile phones should NOT be used in nursery, if you really need to take a call then please go outside - this is in line with our policy. Please pass this message on to others who may drop off/collect. Thank you.

Illness: Once again could I please remind all parents not to send your child to nursery if they are needing Calpol etc., before they come. We do not administer it, and if they are needing it to get them through the day, it is often a sign they are not well enough to attend.

Also, as we have lots of new parents, this is a timely reminder that we also do not administer eye drops.

Invoices: These have been issued this week. Please could these be paid by the end of next week. If you need to make any arrangements for payment, please contact Mrs Terrins. Her email address is s.terrins@olliestrust.com.

Peanut Allergy: We have a child who attends nursery who has an allergy to peanuts. Please could I ask that NO food is brought into nursery that contains peanuts.

Allergens: It is essential that you notify us of any allergies that your child develops; we have a snack menu which includes all allergen information for you and is available to view on the whiteboard near the signing in book.

Breakfast Club and After School Club: If your child is booked in and may be going on a trip/sporting activity etc., if you provide us with a full 24 hours (working day) notice we will be able to provide you with a refund. As school and Ollie's are completely separate, we are not made aware of these activities so it will need to be yourselves who contact us. Thank you.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: If your child attends a club after school before coming to join us in our after school club, please could you let Mrs Shepherd know in advance. Thank you.

Goosnargh Ducklings: Are you stuck for something to do on a Monday or Friday morning? Why not support your local play group who run sessions from 9am - 11am in the village hall? For more information, they have a facebook page "Goosnargh Ducklings Baby and Toddler Group."

Contact details: Have your contact details changed? If so, please let a member of staff know, thank you.

Diary Dates:

15.01.2019: Stay and Play 9am-10am

15.01.2019: Deadline for primary school applications

25.01.2019: Church assembly 9am with school

27.01.2019: Education Sunday 11.15am service

05.02.2019: Blue Bag Collection

08.02.2019: Stay and Play 9am-10am

15.02.2019: We close for February half term (normal time)

25.02.2019: Ollie's reopens

05.04.2019: We close for Easter break at 12.30pm

23.04.2019: Ollie's reopens

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