

# November 2017 Newsletter

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## Dates to remember

### **Holiday dates for the year**

#### **Christmas Holidays**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan

#### **Spring Half Term**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Easter Holidays**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April

#### **Summer Half Term**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June

#### **Last Day of the Summer Term**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July

Other important dates for your calendar

#### **Family Activity Session**

Wednesday 31st January 2018

#### **Open Week**

21st - 25th May 2018

#### **Sports Day**

Tuesday 26th June 2018

#### **Outing**

Wednesday 4th July 2018

## What we are up to .....

This half term starts with Halloween and ends with Christmas, with bonfire night and Nursery Rhyme week in between. We are going to be very busy! All families will be invited in to see their child's key person this week half term too, so look out for a letter or email invitation.

## AGM

The committee AGM was held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October and thank you to all those who attended. The old committee was dissolved and a new committee formed. The new committee now comprises of India Bonnett (Chairperson), Deborah Lannon (Treasurer & Social Media), Pat Doughty (Secretary), Tina McGrane (Vice Chair), Staci Lewis (Fundraising Co-ordinator), Claire Andrews (Health & Safety Officer), Claire McIntyre, Jenny Cross, Claire Waring, and Di Calvert.

## **Fundraising**

### Halloween Soup Kitchen

The Halloween Soup kitchen organised by the committee was a great success raising just over £280.00. They had homemade soup and lots of homemade cakes and hot dogs to eat. We would like to thank Morrisons supermarket for the rolls and sausages which were kindly donated. Thank you to all the families who attended and the committee and helpers for their organisation.

### Bags 2 School

Thank you to those of you who sorted out and brought in your bags of clothes, soft toys and bags. This collection raised £104.00. Don't forget if you have the space, to keep any unwanted items ready for the next collection.

### 100 club

The winners of the November 100 club draw are:

**D. Calvert - £6.80**

**E. Ellis - £3.40**

**J. Lusher - £1.70**

If you would like to join and have a chance to win please ask a member of staff.

### Tesco Blue Counters



If you shop at Tesco you will probably be aware of their blue token scheme, where each shopper is issued with a blue token once they have paid which they then choose to place in the box of a local worthy cause of their choice. We are pleased to announce that Beetley & District Preschool will be one of those causes you can choose and it will run from Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November until 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018. The fundraising is entitled "Enhancing learning through play and room sets", and we hope to provide functional room dividers or play sets to enable us to make better use of the space we have to be able to give the children easy access to all the resources the preschool have in order to aid their learning through play. Please, please put your blue token into the Beetley box. Thank you.

# CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING EVENING

Friday 1st December 2017

Beetley Village Hall

Doors open from 7pm for 7.30pm start

Contact Debbie on 07917 440229

to book your place

£12 including all materials

Christmas Stalls, Refreshments and Raffle



## Online shopping

Do you like to shop on line? If so you could help raise money for the preschool every time you shop. You can do so by either using "giveasyoulive.com" or "easyfundraising.co.uk". Follow the links below to register your support and a percentage of what you spend will be donated to the preschool.

[www.giveasyoulive.com/join/beetleypreschool](http://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/beetleypreschool)  
or [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk). Thank you.

## Session Time requirements

Over the coming weeks we will be sending out sheets asking you to indicate what sessions/hours you wish your child to attend for the spring term. Please could you think hard about this before filling in the form to avoid any changes having to be made at a later date. These alterations can take time and create considerable paperwork to make happen so your help would be greatly appreciated, thank you.

## Parking

**Please ensure that you avoid parking in the horseshoe or on the rectangular areas marked out on Elmham Road for the safety of all children. The horseshoe needs to be left clear for emergency services and coaches when they drop off and pick-up children from school and the red rectangles are meant to be a safe crossing space for children. Thank you.**

## School Dinners

If you would like a hot school dinner for your child we can order it from the school at a cost of £2.20. You will need to order the dinner the day before either by letting us know or informing the school office.

Payment must be received in advance to secure the dinner.

A menu will be available in preschool.

## Contact Details

If you change your phone number, mobile phone number, address or email address; can you please make sure that you let Di or Emma know so we can make sure you receive all the information we send out.

## NO NUTS

We would like to remind you that we have a NO NUT policy in place. Can you please make sure when you are packing your child's lunch box that none of the food contains nuts.

Thank you for your support.

## Payments

Please continue to put any payments to preschool in named envelopes as it really is a big help to us in the mornings. A supply of small brown envelopes are in the foyer should you need them.

