

November 2019 Newsletter

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Christmas Nativity & Party

Come and join us for our nativity and Christmas party on **Wednesday 18th December**. We are hoping to hold the nativity at St Mary's church, Old Beetley from 11.30 am and then move on to the village hall for party food and a visit from Father Christmas. We will confirm the time and place as soon as we have confirmation from the church. **There will be no Preschool on this day and children will need to be accompanied by an adult.**

Stay & Play sessions

Stay and Play sessions continue on **Thursday's** at the Village Hall. There will be no session on **Thursday 12th December** due to the General Election. Therefore the **last session before Christmas** will be **Thursday 5th December**. These sessions are open to anyone who has a child/children aged 0 - 5 years and run from 9.30am to 11am, at a cost of £2.50 per family of up to two children, any additional children at 50p.

An average of 15 families attend each week and people who attend do not have to come to the preschool, so if you have friends that might be interested let them know. Come and join us.

Story Sacks

We are developing story sacks for children to take home and use with parents/carers. Story Sacks are a great way to encourage children to take an interest in stories using props and activities linking to the story.

We have two ready for the children to start using, 'Dear Zoo' & 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. Each child will get the chance to bring home one of the bags to share with their families for a short while and then return to preschool. Included in the sack is a book where you can feedback your thoughts on the Story Sacks.

Have fun

NO NUTS

Please remember that children are not to have anything in their lunch boxes that contain nuts. We have children in Preschool who could have a severe reaction just with nuts being in the environment.

Dates to remember

Jumble Sale

Sunday 3rd November

Bags To School

Thursday 7th November

Christmas Wreath Making

Friday 29th November (evening) (sold out)

Saturday 30th November (morning) (limited spaces)

Carol Singalong

Tuesday 17th December

Nativity & Christmas Party

Wednesday 18th December

What we are up to.....

Welcome back after the half term break. We hope you all had a lovely time.

This week has been our Activity week based around "The Room on the Broom" story which ties in nicely with Halloween also this week. Thank you to all those parents and carers that have already attended, we hope you have had fun joining your child for craft and other activities. We've made dragons, wands, broomsticks, potions and been on a hunt. It's been a great week.

This term will see us continuing to read the Room on the Broom and also getting ready for our Nativity on the last day of term. More details will follow but please remember the date. **Wednesday 18th December** there will be no preschool sessions **on that day**.

Carol Singalong

We would like to invite you and your family along to join, staff, committee members and children to a Carol singalong, on Tuesday 17th December, from 5.30pm at preschool. All children attending must be accompanied by an adult.

Fundraising Bags to School

Another collection date has been arranged so don't forget to bring your bags with unwanted clothes, shoes, bags and soft toys in, before 9am on **Thursday 7th November**. The more we have the more money we can raise.

Online shopping

Do you like to shop online? If so you could help raise money for the preschool every time you shop.

You can do so by using "easyfundraising.co.uk". Follow the links below to register your support and a percentage of what you spend will be donated to the pre-school.

www.easyfundraising.org.uk.

or smile.amazon.co.uk. (when using Amazon Smile please search for "Beetley and District Pre-school")

You can now get the **Amazon Smile App** on your android phones:

1. Update the app on google play
2. Open the Amazon Shopping app
3. Tap the main menu on the app
4. Tap settings
5. Tap Amazon smile
6. Follow the instructions on the screen

100 club

Our 100 club winners for November are:

1st Prize – D Calvert

2nd Prize – S Knights

3rd Prize – R Mfanyane

Murder Mystery Night

Unfortunately this event was postponed until the spring. So if you were interested keep an eye out for the new date in the new year.

Christmas Wreath Making

Our popular wreath making event is running again this year, on Friday 29th November and Saturday 30th November.

Friday night has already sold out but there is limited space left for the Saturday morning.

For just £15.00 you can make your own Christmas Wreath to hang proudly on your door.

Saturday morning doors open at 9.30am, session starts at 10am.

Hungry Little Minds

In September the government launched a new campaign to support children's development in communication, language and literacy development. As parents you can access ideas on how to support this area of development within your everyday activities. For great ideas search Hungry Little Minds. Have fun.

OurSchoolsApp



Remember to check out the Preschool app for information including newsletters, the website, Tapestry, Term Dates, Policies and lots more, all from the one place. The app is free to download you just need to search for OurSchoolsApp in the app store. Once downloaded you will need to search for the preschool entering either "Beetley & District Pre-school" or Postcode NR20 4BW when prompted. We hope you will find it useful and would welcome any feedback. If you need any help please speak to Di or Emma. Thank you.

Beetley & District Preschool

JUMBLE SALE

SUNDAY - 3RD NOVEMBER
10AM - 2PM

BEETLEY VILLAGE HALL

EVERYTHING 50P - ENTRY 50P - REFRESHMENTS

TO DONATE ANYTHING PLEASE
CALL - 07881780023

BRING YOUR OWN BAG

COME ALONG
50P
50P
50P

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School Dinners

The cost of school dinners is £2.30. If you would like a hot school dinner for your child we can order it from the school.

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 is available in preschool.

Policies

The following policies were reviewed and adopted at the last committee meeting:

Code of Conduct Agreement for Committee Members
Admissions and Operation of Waiting List
Promoting Positive Behaviour
Working in Partnership with other Agencies
Ethical Information Sharing
Confidentiality
Draft Invoice
Contract of Employment

Some copies of these policies are available on the website or on request. Please speak to Di or Emma.

Illness

Please help us to reduce the spread of coughs, colds and sickness.

If your child appears unwell before they come to preschool; you have given them Calpol; they have a green runny nose or they have been sick in the last 48 hours, they are not well enough to attend. Please keep them at home until they are better to avoid giving the illness to other children. Thank you.

If your children are going to be off could you please let us know either by ringing the Preschool on 01362 860860 or by email beetleypreschool@hotmail.com

Named clothes and bags

There are days when we have lots of trouble matching up children's belongings to them, they either don't remember what theirs or more than one child has the same thing. With this in mind, can we please ask that you label all your children's things. In the next few weeks they will come home with a leaflet of where you can get printed labels to use. If you decided to order from them please make sure you use our school ID, which is written on the leaflet. Thank you.

Support for Children and Families in Norfolk

For families with children aged 0-5 the above organisation provides information and advice by phone or online. They also provide baby Bounce and Rhyme sessions at the library and other drop in sessions where you can go to meet others and find someone to talk to. This service can also arrange to visit you in your home or community building closer to where you live if that is more convenient.

Their telephone number is 0344 800 8020 or go to www.norfolk.gov.uk/earlychildhood

Please also see our website for information.