

Little Village Learners & Fun Track



NEWSLETTER – January 2020



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Happy New Year. Hope you had a wonderful festive season with your families and friends.

We are now full in the Pre-School setting, however we do have a waiting list, so please advise your family and friends to put their name on it as soon as possible. We do have limited places in Under 2's and Fun Track.

Do we have all your latest data? If you or anyone that appears on your child's records have changed their numbers recently, please make sure we know. Please ensure we have your current email address and importantly any changes to your child's dietary or medical needs. You can email any changes to us or ask for a data form from a member of staff.

Toddler Group on Tues from 9.15am for 2 hours. Ask for a timetable flyer and tell all your family and friends.

Goodbye to Vikki who has left to work nearer to her home.

Start your Spring with a bit more space in your wardrobes! We are doing the **Bag2School** initiative again – a great fundraiser. Bags in the corridor before Feb half-term. All instructions with the bag. Bring back for 10th March.

Our fab photographer is coming in February to take individual B&W pictures of the children in time for potential Mother's Day gifts. Karen will be here on Thur 27th Feb from 9.30am. If your child does not normally attend this time, please bring them in for their photograph. Also, please let us know if you do not wish your child to have their photo taken.

Staff Training Day – Thursday 9th April. We are closed for childcare on this day. Please make other arrangements for your child(ren) on this day. If you normally attend on this day, fees are still chargeable. We will also have a Staff Training Day on Mon 7th Sept, if you want to put it in your diary!

Do you have a Co-op member card?

Every time members shop at Co-op, 1% of what they spend on Co-op branded products helps to fund community projects in their local area. We have once again been chosen to be one of the recipients of the funding. Members can select which cause their 1% goes to – you just need to log in to your account to nominate us. Thank you.

Thank you. As a charity we do rely on a lot of goodwill and fundraising, and in the last few of months we have raised/been awarded/had donated:-

- **Blue Teapot Café – hosting our AGM with free tasty treats.**

Thank you to all the families that took part and contributed to our fundraising during the Autumn Term – it was a busy time and we do ask a lot of our parents during this time. It really helps to keep fees low.

Christmas Raffle & Nativity - £258

Autumn Fayre - £500

Halloween Party - £105

Bags to School - £116

For other good causes we raised: -

Children in Need - £87.65

Macmillan Coffee Morning - £17

Have you linked all your social media to us to keep abreast of our activities?



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Are you up to date with your invoices? It is so important that invoices are paid promptly and in advance (unless you have a special arrangement with Management). We now have a relationship with a **debt recovery agent** and have recently had to pursue unpaid fees through the court, which is not ideal, but ultimately we have running costs that we have to meet to keep up the quality of our fabulous provision, so this has been something we unfortunately had to do. If you need to talk to us about your invoices, please make an appointment with Penny as soon as possible.

We need parents to **attend our EGM** at The Blue Teapot on 29th Jan at 6.30pm (you've had a letter). This is an **essential meeting** about our future business structure.

World Book Day will be over 2 days to include as many children as possible – Thur 5th and Fri 6th Mar. Start thinking of a character now! Charity shops are a wonderful place for a recycled costume.

Wasn't the **Nativity Play** amazing? The children had really worked hard to put on a fab show for their grown-ups. The staff did a wonderful job as usual too.

Parent's Evening is on Thur 2nd April. Look out for your letter to book an appointment with your child's Key Person from mid-March.

Project Sport is back from Friday (17th) for Pre-school children. *It's free too!* 5 weeks of sporty fun and exercise – fully funded.

Dates for your diary

EGM Meeting – Wed 29th Jan @ 6.30pm – Blue Teapot Cafe – Essential meeting for parents regarding a new business management structure. Look out for an invitation and please make sure you attend to vote on the future of Little Village Learners.

Half-term Hol Club 17th – 21st Feb - Booking forms available from beginning of Feb.

Photographer – Thur 27th Feb from 9.30am - Mother's Day pictures – individual photographs of your child(ren).

World Book Day – Thur 5th & Fri 6th Mar – dress as a favourite book character.

Sport Relief – 9th – 13th Mar – sporty fun all week – raising money for Sport Relief.

Bags2School – Fundraiser – 10th Mar – collection bags available before February ½ term.

Egg & Spoon Races – Fundraiser - Tue 31st Mar - AM Toddlers/U2's – PM Pre-School, Wed 1st April – AM Pre-School 6th – 17th April (Easter Hols) – Fun Track Easter Challenge.

Parents Evening – Thur 2nd Apr 6-8pm – booking forms to see your child's key person will be sent out in mid March.

Training Day – Thur 9th Apr – We will be closed all day for childcare – please make other arrangements for your child(ren).

Easter Hol Club – 6th – 17th Apr - Booking forms from mid-March. Note that we are closed on Thur 9th April due to Training Day.

Dock Pudding – Fundraiser – Sun 19th Apr - Please spare ½ hour to volunteer with us on the day in our Cafe.