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# Newsletter

Helen Gibson Nursery School  
November 2016

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## Nursery School Fun Day

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of November we will be having a fun day at the nursery. This is to celebrate our nursery and show everyone what an exciting and fun place it is to be, learn and play in. Please come along. The flyer is attached to the newsletter.

## Treasure Hunt

We have attached a treasure hunt for you and your child to do together. Find something for every box and get sponsored to do it. All proceeds will go towards buying new plants, fruit and veg for our allotment area.



## Harvest Festival

A huge thank you to everyone who donated Harvest gifts! They will be greatly received at the Food Bank in South Shields.



## Sharing Week

Sharing Week commences the week beginning the 21st of November. We will put up a timetable for you to sign up to in the entrance. This is your opportunity to share your talents, join in with the fun of nursery and share in your child's experiences. If you would like to share a talent e.g. cooking, play football, doing exercises, playing a musical instrument or any other thing that you are good at simply sign up when you are free. Equally if you would rather come in and be allocated an activity you are welcome to do this too. The staff and children are really looking forward to this week.



## Learning Journals



The staff would like to thank parents and families for their contributions to the Learning Journals. It is a fantastic way for us to see how your child is developing and learning at home.

## Dates for you Diary

Sharing Week commencing - 21<sup>st</sup> Nov  
Parent Chats week commencing - 7<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Nursery Fun Day - Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 10-2  
Nativity - TBA  
Christmas at Forest School - 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.30 -  
11.30 and 12.30 - 2.30  
Christmas Party Day - 14<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Singing around the Campfire (Lodge) 15<sup>th</sup>  
Dec - 10.45 - 11.30 and 2.45 - 3.30  
Christmas break up - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec



## Parent Chats

Don't forget to sign up for a chat with your child's key worker. The signup sheets are on the wall in the conservatory. The date you have selected will be the date and time you have been allocated. Look forward to seeing you there.



## Cake Stall

Thank you to all who brought or bought a cake at our stall last term. We raised just over £40.



## Children in Need Day Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of November

Come to nursery in either spots or bright yellow. Bring £1 in to donate to Children in Need. If your Teddy is feeling lonely that day why don't you bring it to have a look around Nursery that day too?



## PTA

Don't forget you can still order your Christmas puddings. All proceeds awarded to the nursery from the PTA will help us provide Forest school for our children at West Boldon Lodge. If you would like to come along and see what the PTA is all about why don't you join us at the Grey Horse pub on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November at



## Clothes Bags

Could you check your child's bag regularly so that you can replenish clothes when they have been used?



Do you have any of the following?

- Empty plastic bottles with screw on caps
- Kitchen roll tubes

If so could you give them to Mrs. Holmes in the Lodge? Thank you

## Money

When sending in money would you please ensure that it is in a separate envelope with your child's name clearly marked on the front and what the money is for? Could you use separate envelopes for different things e.g. PTA / Dinner money? We are unable to accept any loose change which is handed to a member of staff but if you need an envelope please see Mrs Howard on the front desk. Please remember that dinner money must be paid on a Friday to ensure the cook is able to know numbers for the following week.



## Parent Workshop

You are invited to come to school and find out about how Literacy is taught at Nursery. The session will take place on November the 17<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm in the Lodge. It would be great if you could come along.



## Welcome Back

I would like to welcome back Mrs Seeley who will take charge of the Panda group. We are also looking forward to Miss Riley's return at the end of November. Upon her return she will take charge of the afternoon Elephant group.

## Stay and Play

Don't forget to join us for our Stay and Play session every Thursday 3.30 - 4.15pm in the Lodge.



## Bug Hotel

We would like to build a bug hotel but are short of a few bits of equipment to make it. Do you have any pipes, wooden pallets etc that we could use to build the bugs a home?



## Fruit

Elephant group has the responsibility for bringing in fruit for November. Thank you for all of your contributions so far and a big thank you to the Giraffe group who provided fruit last half term.



# Have a great November





### Treasure Hunt

See if you can find something to put in each box. The money collected from the sponsor forms will buy new plants, tools and resources for our allotment. Many thanks!

Something wrinkly	A coin	Something shiny
Something smelly	A leaf	Something green
Something smooth	A feather	Something rough
Something red	A letter from the alphabet	Something square
Something round	A twig	Something orange

How many can you find?