







Alcester Nursery Studio Ltd

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Newsletter December 2016

Dear Parents and Carers.

Well I can't believe where this term has gone!! My next newsletter will be 2017 - scary!!

Parents in nursery

I hope that everyone has received an invitation now to either pop in and cook or make a decoration with your child & have a chat with their key workers. I know it's not always convenient for parents, but you will get another opportunity next term. It has been so lovely to see so many attending, especially in the big end, mums & dads have a great time

Staffing

Christina Forrester has proven to be a great asset to the nursey, initially as a lunch time supervisor, but more so as a

nursery practitioner, so we are looking for her to obtain her level III childcare qualification.

Huge thanks to Annie Esler who delivers French to our bigs, and has given training to all the staff to deliver toddler massage, she has been helping out at the nursery whilst staff have been out on training. As you are aware anyone who works in the nursery has a DBS and is signed up to the update service. The update service means that I can log on to see if practitioners / helpers who have a DBS are still safe to work with children. This is a requirement and a dedication for us to protect your children at all times.

Fundraising Events

BINGO

Our next fun fundraising evening is our BINGO evening on Friday 25th November at the Alcester Members Club. Doors open at 7pm first game starts at 7.30pm, cost is £1.00 entrance fee to include a raffle ticket, raffle prize is Sunday Lunch for two at Salford Hall. There are lots of fabulous prizes from meals out to beauty products. We look forward to seeing you there for a fun evening.

St Nicholas Night - 6th December

We look forward to seeing you visit us down the High Street - I have been informed that we will be next to Barclays

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Bank. Many thanks for all your kind donations; we hope to make two or three luxurious hampers, we will have something for the children to access too.

Photographer - Christmas presents

Your photo orders have been sent off & should be returned to nursery the week before we finish for school, if not before.

Transitional sessions

All the children moving up to the big end in the New Year, have done so well, I'm so proud of them. They will all have their new coloured teddy pictures before we break up.

Safeguarding

Can I please remind you **NOT** to pick your child up to press the green button to unlock the doors, whilst it may be fun for your child, another child could easily slip through and escape - not worth thinking about. The same goes for our older children that access the **After School Club**, whilst they may be tall enough to reach the button, it clearly says **ADULTS** only, and you as parents must discourage them from doing this.

Invoices

Please ensure that **ALL** your fees are paid by Friday 9th December. Failure to do so may result in losing your child's place & receiving a late payment fine.

Our November coffee morning

Thank you so much to Josie Print for coming in and selling her lovely handmade goodies

Grapes – please look at the diagram below and follow to avoid any risks of choking – many thanks.



Availability

No doubt you have realised that we are extremely busy for this time of the year, and with parents that have pre booked their sessions, means that I have little flexibility at the moment. We now only have limited spaces available on some afternoon sessions, ALL morning sessions

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are totally FULL. I know that some of you have little ones that you wish to start at nursery, later this academic year or next year 2017 - 2018, to ensure you get the sessions that you require, I suggest that you register your interest NOW to avoid disappointment.

Time to Talk

The strategies to focus on this month are joining in with your child's play and following their lead. What a better time of the year to get involved with this with all those new toys/games that are delivered on Christmas Eve!!

Reminders

Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing, always has a coat & wellies.

Also make sure your child's bag always has nappies, wipes & cream in

Wellies - if your child arrives in wellies, please change your child into their nursery shoes unless they are going straight outside, it is not acceptable for your child to be in wellies for their full time at nursery.

Muddy /wet shoes

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Can I please ask that you encourage your child when entering the nursery to really wipe their feet; we usually do a "ten foot shuffle" thanking you in advance, as this will help reduce the dirt travelling through the nursery.

Events coming up

Children's sing songs

Our Ladys School have kindly offered us their school hall again for the children to perform their little sing songs. Both the littles & the bigs will start prompt at 10am. The doors to the school will be open from 9.30am, where we will be selling raffle tickets.

The littles sing song

All the children that have an orange teddy will be performing on Monday 12th December. We hope that all the children will be able to attend. If your child does not usually attend on a Monday morning then please arrive at nursery by 9.30am. Unfortunately this year we do not have the space for children to stay over if they only attend on the afternoon session.

The bigs sing song

The bigs will be performing their songs on Tuesday 13th December. We hope that all the children will be able to attend. If your child does not usually attend on a Tuesday morning then please arrive at nursery by 9.30am. Unfortunately this year we do not











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Post Box

The nursery will have a post box if your child wishes to send Christmas cards to their friends at nursery. There will be one in the little end and one for the bigs in the foyer. All Christmas cards will be delivered on party day Wednesday 14th December.

Disco - Friday 9th December

All the nursery children are very welcome to attend. The doors will open at 4pm, and close at 5.30pm. This year it is for nursery children ONLY, sorry. This is due to our nursery occupancy. We would like to see all the children attend in their party clothes. This event will cost £3.00 per child. Please fill in the form below and return it asap.

Christmas Party - Wednesday 14th December

All children are invited to attend our Christmas Party, if your child does not usually attend on this day, then please ensure they arrive by 9.30am, at no extra cost. Uncle Mick will be with us again. Father Christmas will be too busy to attend in person but will leave presents for all the children. This is also when your child will be able to bring home anything that they have made and any Christmas cards.

Christmas Break - CLOSED

Thursday 15th December - the children's last day

Friday 16th December - Teacher Training Day - all staff will be renewing their first aid, plus two twilight evenings

Tuesday 3rd January - Teacher Training Day - all staff will be renewing their safeguarding - Penny & Debi will be doing their enhanced training in 2017.

Nursery Open - Wednesday 4th January 2017

Children in nursery & before & after school clubs

Merry Christmas to you all, from the team at Alcester Nursey Studio Ltd

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With Regards

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