







# Alcester Nursery Studio Ltd

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# **Newsletter November 2017**

Dear Parents and Carers.

We hope you've all had a great half term, the weather was kind and there's already been lots of firework parties going on.

# Messy stay & play coffee morning

We were really pleased to see so many parents attend our last coffee morning. We were also delighted to see Our Lady's School's new Head Mrs Gourlay attend to introduce herself to you.





We incorporated our messy play with celebrating Diwali, and Halloween using our fine motor skills too.

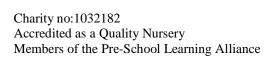








As you can see our parents looked as though they enjoyed their fun and messy time with their children too.













# Open Day for 2yr olds

We will be holding an open day in December for new and prospective parents who may be looking to register their child. So please keep an eye out for the date, in case you have anyone that may be interested.

# Our next coffee morning is Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

You will be able to enjoy a coffee whilst making a Christmas decoration or similar.

# Coming to have a chat with your child's key worker

Some of you may have already received your invite to come and chat with your child's key worker to discuss their progress and development. If you haven't received your invite yet then please be patient, it will come.

#### Dogs

Just a reminder that no dogs are allowed on the school premises, unless a guide dog. With the exception that either Our Lady's School or our nursery may make allowances if we are to have a pet week, then some might be invited in.

# Safeguarding

As it's around Guy Fawkes please be sensible if letting off your own fireworks, and if you do allow your child to hold a sparkler then again please follow the instructions, there are so many accidents around this time of the year.

# Reminder - School Leavers - those children starting school in September 2018

Application for an infant / primary school place needs to be submitted before 15<sup>th</sup>

January 2018. Please apply direct on Warwickshire.gov.uk/admissions. This site will tell you about the process and how to apply or to delay / defer your child's entry. About the appeal process and how the offers are made.

# Not long left for the competition -Children to turn on Alcester Christmas lights

As a community nursery, that tries to support events held in the town by the











Court Leet, we were delighted when we were asked if 2 children from nursery could turn on the Christmas lights this year. Therfore the children will have come home with a Christmas tree to decorate. It's going to be a very difficult decision we know, but if you could return your child's finished picture by 13<sup>th</sup> November then we hope that the High Bailiff will be able to pop in to judge the winners. The lights will be turned on, on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

# Supporting Speech & Language

It has been so lovely seeing you come in to nursery and join in activities with your child. We hope you are able to carry on with some of these activities at home encouraging communication between you and your child. As always we love hearing your stories or seeing your photographs, so please share these with us so that we can use them during our small group times.

# Plea - Our Tinkering area

If you have anything that has broken that the children could explore and investigate using screwdrivers, we would be very grateful. Items such as hair dryers, CD

players, old lap tops, music centres, speakers etc any small electrical items.

# Pasta, spices, rice, flour or similar

If you have any out of date dried items that you would normally throw away, could you please bring in for us to use for our sensory play. Many thanks.

#### Harvest Festival

The children enjoyed visiting the people at the Jubilee Centre, delivering their harvest food to the elderly. They were delighted and overwhelmed by your kind donations.





We have booked in to go and sing to the people at Jubillee Court on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December, and have drinks and biscuits











with them too.

# BINGO - Friday 17th November

The fundraising team have organised a fundraising event. A Bingo Night, to be held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, doors to open at 7pm, first game to start at 7.30pm. Our Lady's school have very kindly offered us their school hall for the venue.

# St Nicholas Night - December 6th

We will be running a stall in the High Street on this annual event. Details of where we will be to follow. We will be asking for items to be donated to make up a luxury hamper. So we will be having a fancy dress week during the last week in November, wk/st 27<sup>th</sup>, so please let your child get dressed up and bring in an item for the hamper. Ideally we are looking for Christmas items - mince pies, Christmas puddings, bottles of alcohol, biscuits, soup etc plus unwanted gifts too.

## Christmas sing songs / performance

All the littles i.e the children with an orange teddy will do their little sing song on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December, starting at

10am. Can you please send your child in on this day with a Christmas jumper / t.shirt or dress, we add tinsel if they are happy to wear some.

The bigs will be doing their performance on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. If your child is required to wear something specific we will send you a slip home, otherwise they will be wearing one of our Christmas outfits.

We will be holding a raffle on these days, so please buy tickets if you are able to.

### Christmas Disco - 8th December

All nursery children are invited, please note the change of time, it will now start at 4pm and finish at 5.30pm. The cost will be £2.50 per child, the children will have a little snack and drink during this time. It's children only, your time to go and have an hour or so to yourself, a quick bit of shopping, or just put your feet up and enjoy a cup of coffee.

Christmas Party - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 9am - 12

ALL children are invited to this event, if











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your child does not usually attend on this Wednesday morning, then they attend free of charge. Party food will be provided, Uncle Mick our children's entertainer will be with us too during the morning. Footie bugs will still take place in the afternoon, so if your child usually attends for lunch, then please still bring your child's lunch box in.

Children's last day - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

We will be CLOSED for 2 weeks, nursery and breakfast & after school clubs resume on Monday  $8^{th}$  January 2018.

Birmingham Children's Hospital

One of our little 2yr old girls Meadow White was rushed to hospital last month, she is very poorly and has already started her chemotherapy. I am pleased to inform you that she has taken to her treatment really well. Her mum Sam has informed me of how well she has been treated, and how wonderful the nurses and doctors have been, therefore all our fundraising during December will be going to Birmingham

Children's Hospital, so please dig deep.

With Regards

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