

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2023

Dear PARENTS

The month of December is one of our busiest as we get ready for Christmas at playgroup. We have lots of activities and events please look out for the information being sent home.



CHILDREN IN NEED FUNDRAISING FOR 2023

Friday 17th November` 23 £1:00 donation on gate this week to be entered into the raffle to win PUDSEY BEAR.

Children can wear their Pudsey creations and we will have fun activities during the day. Bring on the SPOTS. All donations to BBC CHILDREN IN NEED

Parents Morning Friday 24th November 23

We will be holding our parent open morning on FRIDAY 24^{TH} November`23. (Not MONDAY as on return slip). Apologies for the delay getting invitation sent out to parents. Playgroup will be closed for

childcare. I have attached a copy of the invite, so you have the information at hand.

If you are unable to attend, please still return form with a contact telephone number during the day and your child's keyperson can give you a call if that is more convenient.

Parents please do not hesitate to speak to us if you have any concerns regarding your children and their development.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2024

LAST REMINDER BEFORE THE CHRISTMAS BREAK FOR PARENTS APPLYING FOR THEIR CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL SEPTEMBER'24. APPLICATIONS CLOSES MONDAY 15TH JANUARY'24. Medway.gov.uk/primary admissions.

Parents, please re-new or apply for your 30-hour codes if you have not already done so.

WINTER CLOTHING

Please ensure that your children have been dressed appropriately for the weather, for inside and outside play as our children have the choice to play in both areas throughout the session regardless of the weather. Named wellingtons please, we will use them - can be kept in playgroup on peg. Kindly name coats, hats, gloves, light weight hoodies, cardigans for indoors and a change of clothes in a named bag which can be kept on their peg including socks and underwear.

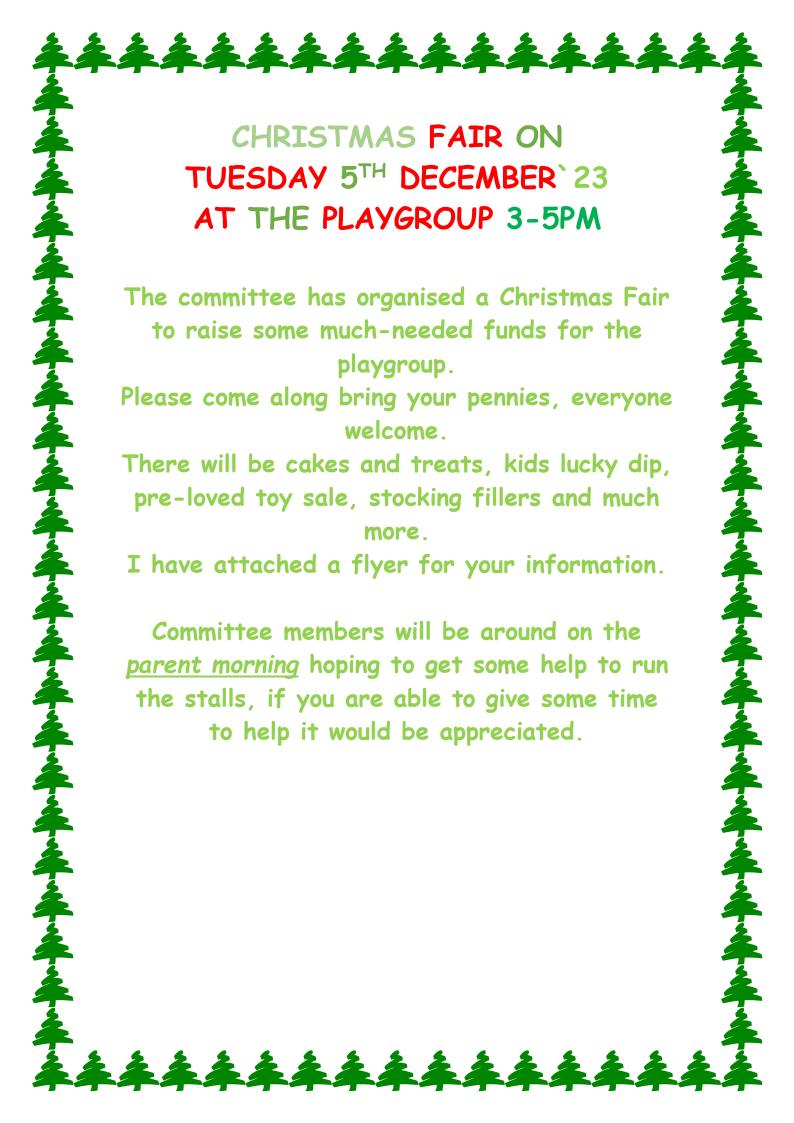
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PAYMENT OF FEES

All fees must be paid by Monday 11th December 23, so that we are not chasing up fees. All accounts go to our accountant for end of year finalising. If outstanding fees are not paid this may affect your child's places in the New Year. Please speak to Delia/Sally if you are experiencing difficulties with payments asap. Thank you.

DONATION OF UNWANTED TOYS AND OUTDOOR VEHICLES

If you are having a clear out of children's toys that are in good condition, inside and out, please consider donating to us. We will make good use of them and recycle what we can't use. Thank you.





CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY -THURSDAY 7TH DEC' 23 DONATION: £1:00

We want all the children to have the opportunity to be involved, so we will run the Christmas Jumper day all week as your child attends and a donation of £1:00 can be given on the day. We invite all children who attend on their day to wear Christmas Jumpers and parents to donate chocolate, mince pies, biscuits, crackers, puddings, and other food items for the Christmas Hampers. The hampers will be raffled at the end of term. All proceeds from our fundraisers go to subsidising our fun activities, resources, and parties throughout the year! Collection box at entrance.



SANTA'S COMING TO TOWN

As you know Christmas starts earlier than usual at playgroup and the children have already started being creative!

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POST BOX - The children have a red post box for their cards to be posted and we will try our best to get them out to all the children before the end of term. I will provide a list with children's names and staff names if parents would like a copy for cards please ask at the gate.

Children can also write a Christmas Wish List to Santa (please write your address on the back), post in the red box and we will send a letter to the children at your home address from the man himself all the way from the North Pole!

All cards and letters to Santa are in the box by Friday 8th December 23 at the latest.

CHRISTMAS PARTY's - Friday 15th December 23 - Monkey Bizz

This will be on Friday 15th December`22. We will be holding the children`s Christmas parties at Monkey Bizz which we have hired for 2 sessions during the morning and afternoon. Invitations will go out shortly with the time of the party your child is invited too. Monkey Bizz provides soft play with party food and of course Santa will also be visiting and giving out presents to all the good boys and girls!

We ask that parents contribute £5:00 per child towards the party costs this year.

Playgroup will be closed for childcare on day of the party. Please let us know, by returning the completed slip if your child will be attending the party, stating any dietary requirements.

