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## Newsletter – November 2012

### NEWS

Welcome back after the holiday. We hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing time.

This term our topics and themes include firework art, Autumn creatures and changes in the countryside. We have been on lots of walks watching the changes in the trees. The role play area has been a shop and the children have been using Argos catalogues and phones to make their orders for Christmas!



This year Nursery will be presenting an interactive Christmas performance. 'Journey to Bethlehem' will be a celebration including arts and crafts, costumes and fun for all the family. More details to follow and please look out for our 'wish list' of things needed for the day. Anyone who is interested in helping please let us know. This will be on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

We hope to read lots of Christmas stories on the run up to Christmas and would like to invite parents, grandparents and friends to read to us at story times. Please come and join us at this special time of year. There is nothing like a Christmas story to get you in the mood!

The Nursery Christmas Party will be held on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Details will follow soon.



We will shortly be completing our progress checks for two-year-olds. Parents will be invited in for a cup of coffee to discuss how well the children have settled into Nursery. Dates will follow soon.

### IMPORTANT NOTICES

Our new fund-raising committee have already been hard at work making plans for the coming year. First off is our **Christmas Fayre and Pamper Evening – Deddington Delights!** What better way to get into the festive mood than meeting friends, a spot of Christmas shopping and a little pampering? We will be holding a Christmas Fayre and Pamper Evening in Deddington Church on the 4th December at 7.30pm. The church will be packed with stalls selling Christmas gifts, food, decorations, cards, crafts and other goodies. There will also be therapists providing massages, facials and nails. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served to get you in the festive mood. It will be a great night and a lovely treat for mums (and dads) on the run up to Christmas! The cost is £3, which will include a raffle ticket. If you can't make the evening there is still chance to get involved by buying a raffle ticket - ask at the nursery and pre-school.

#### Christmas Hamper Raffle

Following the huge success of the raffle last year we are organising another Christmas Hamper Raffle for 2012. You helped to raise nearly £900 last year – A fantastic amount and a vital part of our fundraising for the year - We would therefore be very grateful if you could donate any of the items on the list below.

*Christmas Hamper Items - Champagne, Crackers, Wine, Biscuits, Port, Shortbread, Christmas cake, Christmas Pudding, Mince pies, Brandy Butter, Chocolates, Jams, Nuts, Mustards, Chestnuts, Cranberry sauce, Chutneys and pickles, Olives etc. (items must have use by dates no earlier than January 2013)*

We will place a box in the Nursery and the Pre-school on 19th November and would appreciate all donations to be received by the 14th of December so we can prepare the Hampers. As soon as we have the raffle tickets printed we will place a book in each of the children's pockets - please sell as many as you can so we can attempt to reach or even beat the £900 target of last year! The raffle will be drawn at the Deddington Farmers Market on 22nd December. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Thank you to all parents who attended the AGM. The outgoing committee were thanked for all their hard work on behalf of the PFSU and Nursery, and a new committee appointed. We welcome them and look forward to working with them.

As we try to get outside as much as possible whatever the weather, please can you ensure that your child brings a coat, hat and gloves with them to Nursery. We also need a named pair of wellies for your child to keep at Nursery.

If your child has grapes, cherry tomatoes etc in their packed lunch, we ask that these are cut up. This is part of our health and safety requirements due to the possibility of a child choking.



**Other fund-raising dates for the diary – more information to follow**

22nd February : Go Karting at Formula Fast

2nd March: Jumble Sale

25th April : Quiz at the British Legion

14th July: Summer event



Lastly, please ask your employer whether they offer match funding to support charities. Many companies offer to support their employees in raising funds for good causes. We have benefitted enormously from these schemes in the past so if your company offers a scheme like this, please let us know!

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre and Pamper evening – Deddington Church.
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Journey to Bethlehem
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Nursery Christmas party
- Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Christmas hamper raffle drawn at Farmers Market

#### TERM DATES

##### 2012-2013

**Term 2:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2012

Please note we finish at 2pm on 21<sup>st</sup> December.

**Term 3:** Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2013

**Term 4:** Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2013

**Term 5:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2013  
( plus bank holiday Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2013 )

**Term 6:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2013

#### CONTACTS

##### Nursery Staff:

Jacqui Moulder - Nursery Manager  
Gina Halliburton – PFSU / DVN Operations Manager  
Jo Bull – Nursery Deputy Manager  
Keary Millard – Early Years Practitioner  
Jane Rickard – Early Years Assistant

##### PFSU and Nursery Committee:

Kate Oldroyd ( Chair )  
Alex Elvin ( Treasurer )  
Bev Hamblet-Bowes ( Secretary )  
Sam Brown, Paul Onions, Rachel Gruber, Emma Noon,  
Juliet Owens, Rachel Carr, Sharon Greenwood,  
Catarina Feria-Walsh, Vaughan Jones, Jack Dent, Jane Maharry, Victoria Thomas,

#### REMINDERS

Any matters concerning payments or your child's hours please speak to Gina. Invoice payments not made by the due date will incur a £20 late payment fee. Please remember there is a late pick-up charge.

We are open from 8.30am – 3.30pm, Monday to Friday.

Nursery phone number: ( 01869 ) 337383

Don't forget to check out our website:

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