



Building work has started on our outside play area and as well as a cover at the rear of the building we are linking the back play area with the front. Hopefully disruption to playgroup while this is done will be kept to a minimum.

Please can we have photograph money and any unwanted photographs back by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Your child's latest learning and development sheet is now available to look at with your child's key worker.

Learning journey folders are kept in your child's named drawer and are available for you to look at anytime you wish. Any queries please do not hesitate to talk to their key worker, Wendy or Sue Dart.

Your child will be coming home soon with raffle tickets for our Christmas hampers. Please can you sell as many as possible as playgroup relies on the money from our fundraising events to provide resources for your children.

#### **Week 1            2<sup>th</sup> November**

This week we will be talking about the foods we like and will make pizzas to eat at snack time. As it will be firework night we will be making firework pictures and talking about keeping safe near bonfires and fireworks.

#### **Week 2            9<sup>th</sup> November**

We will be talking about good manners and continuing to do activities based around the different foods people eat.

#### **Week 3            16<sup>th</sup> November**

As it is children in need this Friday our activities this week will be linked to bears.

Badges should be available to buy and decorated biscuits will be on offer for a small donation, children are welcome to wear fancy dress on the Friday.

#### **Week 4            23<sup>rd</sup> November**

This week we will be starting to make all our goodies for Christmas, we will be making tree decorations and decorating bags.

#### **Week 5            30<sup>th</sup> December**

The post box will be out for children to post their Xmas cards to all their friends.

We will also be making calendars, writing letters to Santa and practicing our Christmas songs.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December playgroup will be closed as we will be going on our trip to the donkey park. Please see the attached note for details and return slip for requesting tickets. This year we have organized a coach which will be on a first come first served basis.

#### **Week 6            7<sup>th</sup> December**

Sue will be setting up her Christmas stall this week so please bring in lots of money and support your playgroup.

On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> playgroup will be closed as we will be visiting Riverside Church for our Christmas service. We will meet at the church at 10.15am. Could all children and parents please attend this service as they will all have been practicing very hard for our nativity play and songs. Children must be with their parent/carer throughout. As well as the nativity play David Denham will be doing a short service for us and there will be activities and refreshments.

We will be holding a Christmas coffee morning on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 11am-1pm. The winners of our Christmas hampers raffle will be picked during the morning.

Playgroup will finish for Christmas on Friday when we will be having a party. Coz the clown will be there to keep the children entertained throughout the morning. All children are welcome to attend even if your child does not usually attend on a Friday. We will be requesting £2 towards the cost of party food nearer the time.

**The Party will start at 9.30am and finish at 12.30.**

Playgroup returns after the Christmas holiday on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2009.