



Ladybirds Newsletter
Term 2 Week 5 w/c 3rd December 2018

Our topic... 'The Nativity'

The children will be making snowmen this week using various different materials, our wall display is coming along nicely we will be adding the 3 kings and the Christmas star this week. We have our visit to the Christmas tree festival on Thursday, all of the Children's stars are on display in St Thomas's now so if you can't make the trip with us but want to have a look we are tree number 82. We have also been practicing all our songs for the nativity play, ready for when the children perform it in the church.

Birthdays

We would like to wish Raphael and Lydia a very Happy Birthday this week, we hope you both have a lovely day.

St Thomas's Christmas tree festival Thursday 6th December Morning session 9.30-11.15am

Many thanks to all parents who have already returned their reply slips for this trip, if we could have any slips which still need to be returned back to us this week so we can confirm numbers with the coach company. Many Thanks

Christmas Morning and Nativity Monday 17th December 10am-12pm St Francis Church (A volunteer list is available on our foyer table)

Thank you for the volunteers who have popped their names down to help on a stall on the morning of the nativity. We now have a Santa and I think we've even got a reserve so thank you to Jessica's dad and Tommy's grandad. The only stall we are struggling with is the face painting stall, we don't currently have any volunteers so if anyone knows someone who can fill the spot we would be super grateful.

Our raffle donations are looking very healthy but we a few more donations would be really appreciated, we have a lot of vouchers to win this year but need a few more gifts if possible.

We will be having a cake stall on the morning so if you would like to donate any cakes whether home made or brought that would be fantastic, could we ask for them to be brought in on the morning of the nativity as we have limited space to store them.

Many thanks for all your help and support.

Christmas Party Wednesday 19th December afternoon session.

We have booked a children's entertainer 'Ozzy Whizzpop' for the children's Christmas party this year. The party will be held in the afternoon session from 12.15pm. All children are welcome to attend whether it is their normal session or not. Slips will be sent home later this week so we can get an idea on numbers, there will also be a party food list put up in the foyer for food donations for the party.

Donations

We are running very low on spare towels to dry our outside equipment, if you have any spare old towels you're happy to donate we would be very grateful. Also if any one has any spare action men clothing, we are really lacking and the no matter how hard the children try the Barbie clothes don't fit them ;-). Many Thanks

Easy Fundraising:

If you have time and shop online please feel free to sign up to our Ladybirds easy fundraising page to help raise money for Ladybirds, simply shop with any of over 3,300 online retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, and when you make a purchase, the retailer will send us a free donation at no extra cost to you. Just follow our link to sign up and start raising funds for Ladybirds, <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ladybirdssalisbury>

Primary School Places

If your child will be starting Primary School in September 2019, please be aware that the deadline for applications is 15th January 2019. You can apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk or if you would prefer a paper application they can also be downloaded from the website www.wiltshire.gov.uk. Alternatively you can ring customer services at Wiltshire Council on 01225 713010.

Wellies

Can all children please have a spare pair of welly boots that we can keep at Pre-school. If you have any problem supplying a pair, then please let us know what size your child is and we can see if we have a pair which they can use. It does get very wet and muddy outside at times, so boots are essential to keep shoes clean and stop the floor from getting too dirty and wet.

Snack Donations

There is a snack donation bowl in our foyer, if you feel that you can donate either some fruit, raisins, breadsticks etc occasionally we will be most grateful.

Wow moments:

On the notice board in the foyer there is a 'WOW' moments section if your child does anything at home no matter how small (as it's normally massive to them 😊) we would love to share their achievements with them in Ladybirds at circle time, please feel free to fill in one of our slips and pop it on the board and we will make sure we share it with them.

Please remember that our door is always open and if you have any issues or concerns, we are always happy to speak with you.
Thank You, From the Ladybirds team

Below is our policy of the week, if you can spare 5 minutes to have a read through we encourage any feedback you may have. Many thanks.

8.7 No-smoking

Policy statement

We comply with health and safety regulations and the Welfare Requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage in making our setting a no-smoking environment - both indoors and outdoors.

Procedures

- All staff, parents and volunteers are made aware of our No-smoking Policy.
- We display no-smoking signs.
- The No-smoking Policy is stated in our information for parents.
- We actively encourage no-smoking by having information for parents and staff about where to get help to stop smoking if they are seeking this information.
- Staff who smoke do not do so during working hours, unless on a break and off the premises.
- Staff who smoke during their break make every effort to reduce the effect of the odour and lingering effects of passive smoking for children and colleagues.

Legal framework

- The Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations (2006)
- The Smoke-free (Signs) Regulations (2007)

This policy was adopted at a meeting of _____ name of setting

Held on _____ (date)

Date to be reviewed _____ (date)

Signed on behalf of the management committee _____

Name of signatory _____

Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner) _____

