



Ysgol Feithrin Fairoak

Dear Parents

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and carers who supported our Stay and Discover sessions last week. It was lovely to spend time with so many of you and the children really enjoyed showing you around the Nursery. If you have any questions about the activities you saw or how to develop skills with your child then please ask.

THIS WEEK

On **Thursday** we will be having the **individual/family photo shoot!** The packs vary in prices and there is no obligation to buy. If you would like a sibling taken with your child or a family photo with mum and/or dad as well the photographer is happy to accommodate. If you wish to have a younger sibling or parents in the photograph please attend at 8.30 a.m. for morning children or 12.30 p.m. for afternoon children. If you have older school age children you would like to have photographed with your child please speak to Mrs Morgan as we can arrange for them to be photographed at 8.00 a.m. There is no need to stay with children who are going to be photographed on their own. All children will have an individual sitting during the normal session even if they are part of a family group. **BREAKFAST CLUB WILL OPERATE AS NORMAL**

On **Friday** you are invited to return **half an hour** before the end of the session (please use Lord Street entrance) to listen to the children sing some of the songs they have been learning this half term – in particular, the Harvest themed songs. We are also collecting tins and dried goods to donate to charity. This year we are donating to **Barnardo's Young Carers**. Please bring any tins or packets to the Nursery by the end of the day on Friday. We look forward to seeing you or another relative at 11.15 a.m. or 2.45 p.m.

PTFA: Friends of Fairoak

The first fund raiser will be held on Saturday 10th November from 10.00 a.m. until 12 noon. This will be an Christmas Fete with a range of stalls and activities for the whole family. You should have received raffle tickets to sell ready for the raffle which will be drawn on the day, please ask if you have not received any yet. An important visitor will be taking time out of his Christmas preparations to meet the children and hear first hand what they want him to deliver on Christmas Eve!

We are also looking for donations for the stalls – second hand books, toys, bric a brac, jewellery, and nearer to the day cakes and biscuits. Please bring any donations to the Nursery. If you or a relative would like to help on a stall please speak to Mrs Morgan.

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET SCHOOL IS CLOSED NEXT WEEK FOR HALF TERM - Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November 2018

INSET DAYS

All schools are required to have five In-service Training days during the academic year. Nursery will be closed on these days to pupils. The five days for this year are:

Friday 16th November 2018

Monday 3rd December 2018

Friday 21st December 2018

Friday 22nd February 2019

Thursday 2nd May 2019

FUTURE EVENTS

We like to give you as much notice as possible of up and coming events to enable you to plan or arrange time off if you are working, however this does sometimes mean that dates have to be changed. We try not to change dates unless we absolutely have to but we will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible should we need to amend a date.

Thursday 25th October – Photographs (see above)

Friday 26th October – Harvest singing and collection. Please bring in tins or packets of food for us to donate. Please come back half an hour early to hear the children sing. Grandparents or another responsible adult is welcome if you are unable to attend in person. The children will sing to you at 11.15 a.m. for the morning session or 2.45 p.m. in the afternoon session. Please note – NO MOBILE PHONES

Saturday 10th November – PTFA Christmas Fete at Fair Oak Nursery 10 a.m. until 12 noon – all proceeds go to supporting your children

Wednesday 21st November – Adventures in Food Workshop. You are invited to attend a one hour session where you and your child will work together to produce three different edible treats! Further information about the times will be published nearer to the day however there are likely to be three different sessions – two during the morning and one in the afternoon. A form will be sent home for you to book the session most convenient for you depending on spaces.

Friday 14th December – Visit to Greenmeadow – please see separate letter for details

Monday 17th December – Seasonal “ Concert”. Parents will be invited to join us to watch and listen to the Stars of Tomorrow! Children will attend for the morning session with parents joining us at Duckpool Road Church at 10.45 a.m.

Wednesday 19th December – Christmas Party for Children only in the Nursery 9.15 to 11.45 a.m.

Thursday 20th December – Singing at Summerhill Avenue Residential Home at 2 p.m. Morning children are welcome to come along with an adult to help us sing. More details nearer the day.

END OF TERM DATES

Last day of Autumn Term: Thursday 20th December 2018

Return to school: Monday 7th January 2019

COMMUNITY:

We like to let you know of things happening in the local community. If you hear of any local events please let us know as we are happy to publicise them.

Apple Day at Maindee Library – Saturday 27th October