

Garretts Green Nursery School Newsletter December 2013



Children in Need

Thank you for entering into the spirit of the day.
It was lovely to see so many of the children
dressed in pyjamas!
We managed to raise £194.74
Thank you all for your generosity.

We are pleased to confirm that four Parent Governors have been appointed. Thank you to Natalie Leeson, Paula Linthwaite, Emma Loxton and Jennifer Waring.

Harvest Festival Collection

Can we thank you again for all the food you sent in to Nursery for the Harvest Festival.

We made up a number of food parcels and some of the children helped to deliver them to elderly local residents who were very grateful.

Thank you!

Visit to St. Giles Church

This was a lovely time for all of us. We hope you enjoyed being shown around the church and hearing about its long history. The children enjoyed the stories and loved ringing the church bell.
Thank you for joining us.

Christmas Family Workshop

Thank you to all who attended the workshops. We hope you enjoyed working with your child. In the Spring Term we will be holding further workshops with the focus on Mathematics. Details will be sent out after the holiday.

Attendance

Thank you to all those of you who have attended every day.
We will be sending out Attendance Certificates for 100% Attendance in the New Year.

The Nativity

Thank you to all the parents who came to the Nativity on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. We were overwhelmed with the requests for tickets and over the two evenings there were about 250 parents, grandparents, and other relatives and friends who saw the performance. We hope that you all enjoyed the singing.

Thank you for your donations. We raised over £100 which we will use to buy equipment for the Nursery.

Christmas Party

The Christmas party was again a special time for the children.

No doubt your child has told you about the magician and about the visit by Father Christmas!

Thank you for your contributions towards the cost of the food.

Primary School Places

We hope you have all returned your forms to indicate the preferred school for your child for September. If you have not completed a form please see a member of staff immediately and we can provide one for you. Thank you.

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your support throughout this term. Your children are wonderful, so full of fun and keen to learn and making the most of the opportunities offered in Nursery.

It has been a busy term! We managed to raise lots of money for Children in Need. We have also taken parcels to the elderly residents living nearby who were so pleased and surprised to see the children as well as the parcels. They were extremely grateful for the food but also for the thought!

The last few weeks of this term have been extremely busy. We held the Family Workshops, which were well-attended, the visit to St. Giles' Church, the Christmas Party and The Nativity, which was attended by so many families. Thank you.

We will be taking our letters to the post box this week so that Father Christmas knows what we would all like!

Thank you all for your on-going support and involvement.

Attendance and Punctuality

We will be presenting Attendance Certificates to all the children
who have attendance of 100%

We are aware that attendance at Nursery can be very difficult to maintain. Young children seem to be particularly prone to catching every 'bug'. This is also a damp and cold time of year and again the germs just seem to multiply in the warmth of the Nursery.

We would like to show our appreciation to all those children and parents who have made sure their attendance has been good and we will award the certificates during the new year.

Please continue to try to attend regularly. There is a strong link between attendance and progress in primary schools where attendance is expected to be good.

May we also remind you how important it is to be punctual at the start and end of sessions.

Children arriving after the session has begun can be extremely disruptive for the other children who are easily distracted at this age but can mean that your child misses the important social time and the introduction to the day's learning. At the end of the session, children who are not collected at the same time as the others find it distressing. Please help us by ensuring that you are punctual.

Thank you!

Bad Weather

In the event of heavy snow over the next few weeks, please listen to local radio stations or access the BGfL website where you should find important information about school closures. We will let you know by text if we are closed so please make sure your contact details are up to date.

We will be breaking up for the Christmas holiday on
Friday 20th December and return on 7th January 2014.

**Thank you again for all your support and may we wish a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**