

Parent Nursery Association meeting

Date: Thursday 29th November 2018

Last meeting: Wednesday 23rd April 2018

Chairing the meeting: Sonja Fenton-Pryor and Ann Middleton

Parents that attended: Ali Hathaway (Maisie) and Zoe Joiner (Archie)

Sonja apologised for the over due parent nursery association meeting.

- We are looking for two more parents to join the Fundamentals committee. If any parents are interested, please do let Sonja and Ann know as soon as possible. It would be lovely to have a baby parent and a preschool parent if that is at all possible. We welcome Hayley - Lois' mother on board. I would like to thank the parents who take the time to be part of this parental committee
- This meeting is very much about Christmas festivities that are happening at nursery during the month of December. Although everybody got emailed the November newsletter with Christmas dates there is also a poster on the main glass doors with all the dates so nobody hopefully misses out on anything
- Christmas dates are as follows
- Dress rehearsals are happening in early December for the nativity so please can you ensure that your child costume arrives at nursery on time. Much appreciated
- Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th December is Fundamentals nativity show which starts at 4.30pm. If your child does not normally attend on these days please bring them in for 4pm so the staff can help your child get into their costume ready for the show. Hopefully all parents attending the shows have received their tickets.
- Friday 14th December we will be encouraging all the staff and children to wear Christmas jumpers. If you would like to bring a gold penny for the Christmas jumper charity it would be most grateful. Please don't go out deliberately to buy a Christmas jumper any Christmas coloured clothing will be more than sufficient! To really get in the festive spirit Ann will be cooking a children's Christmas dinner with pigs in blanket, Yorkshire pudding etc.
- Wednesday 19th is the Children's Christmas party! All children who attend fundamentals are warmly invited to join in the fun and laughter....! However, children who do not normally attend a Wednesday **must** be accompanied by an adult to ensure the nursery stays compliant with maintaining child and adult ratios. Party games, picnic buffet and Santa Claus will be visiting Fundamentals! Watch this space. The Christmas party will be starting around 4pm and finishing at 5.30pm We look forward to seeing you all.
- It was discussed whether parents might be interested in attending some relevant information workshops. How the Government Funding for 2 year olds and 3 and 4 years works and how fundamentals offer the service, childcare choices and the existing parents who use Childcare vouchers. In addition, and Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) workshop, how your children's learning and development is nurtured and promoted using the non mandatory EYFS curriculum. Lastly, another workshop that might be useful would be "readiness for school" and talking

about local schools around the local area of Bicester, how to choose the best school for your child?

Financial update – Ann

- Polite reminder that nursery fees are invoiced monthly and need to be paid and cleared by 5th of the month. If you are paying by childcare vouchers or childcare choices please please can I ask that you ensure that the payments are made on time. If they don't clear by the 5th of the month there will be a late charge of £15.00 billed to your account.

Reminders for parents

- Bringing in enough clothing especially if your child is toileting
- Naming clothing especially coats and wellies and shoes. Please can you ensure that your child does have appropriate warm clothing like hats, gloves and scarves to

ensure they can access the outdoor environment. Staff do still take the children outside regularly to get their dose of fresh air

- Checking your child's individual trays for art work daily and will be emptied at the end of the week
- Please read parent notice boards and window notices when up
- If you have not been already asked by your child's key person please can you bring in some family photographs so we can make your child's pleasant reminders of home book. If you have already done so please kindly ignore this reminder!

Christmas Closure this is important for December 2018

Fundamentals will be closed over the Christmas period from Friday 21st December at 1.00pm. We re-open our doors on Wednesday 2nd January 2019 at 7.30pm

From everybody at Fundamentals we would like to take the opportunity in wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous and joyful New Year. Here's to an exciting 2019!