

Newsletter number October 07 - Autumn Term

Dear Parents, Welcome back. We hope you have had a good break.

Topics

We are starting the term with our popular [fancy dress](#). We ask all staff & children to come into school dressed up. We try to introduce this at an early age and to show the children it can be fun rather than scary. Hopefully this will prepare them for the weeks Halloween events. We then move on to our Diwali festival. (Hindu festival of light). At Tinytoons we are an inclusive pre-school and this means we accept children from all religious and cultural backgrounds. To show diversity amongst the children we are celebrating by making divas (candles) & lanterns. If parents would like to know more about this festival please go online and look at the various websites available. We welcome any ideas/suggestions you may have. Lastly we start to plan for our nativity play and Christmas activities. We will be looking for a voluntary SANTA. This is a busy term but the most fun!!!. Again we welcome any help from parents and a rota is up on the front board.

Bring N Buy Sale On [Tuesday 27th November 1pm – 3pm](#) we will be holding a bring n buy sale. We will be trying to raise money for new equipment and will be selling off some of our parent and toddler toys along with puzzles. We would obviously welcome any donations from parents (toys/bric n brac etc) but also help in any way you can. We thought about a cake stall as well but would need all of you budding Delia Smiths out there to bake a tray of cakes for us! Let us know what you can do. We will also be holding a raffle and would like all children to bring in one filled jar week commencing 19th November which can be decorated in any way you like. Staff are giving up their time voluntarily to help at this event and hopefully we will be able to purchase some nice new toys.

Staff

We would like to welcome Laura Edwards this term. Laura is qualified to level 3 and will be a great asset to the team. She will be working 5 mornings a week which will give great consistency to the children and other team members. Some parents did send in cvs for our helper vacancy and apologies to those of you I haven't had a chance to talk to yet. I will get round to it.

On a much sadder note, we say goodbye to Alison (Ali-cat) this week. Alison is leaving to give more time to her children. Ali has been with us forever and we will all be sad to see her go. She has been a valued member of the team and has also supported our children with special needs. She will be in on Tues & Thurs as usual working and then will pop in on Weds and Fri to say goodbye to parents and children and to make us all a cup of tea!:) I'm sure Ali may be persuaded to come in and cover now and again. :)

Photos: We have a photographer coming in from Phototheme this term on [Wednesday 14th November](#). We will inform you of the time at a later date. They are using a snowman background which looks lovely and will make nice xmas presents/momentoes for you all. We receive commission from the sale of the photos which will go towards more new equipment.

Please remember if you have any queries that cannot be dealt with after the session, you can contact me at home on 01992 635898 or on my mobile number 07930 494323 at any time. Many thanks

Assuring you of our best attention.

Linda, Diane, Lisa, Alison, Kay, Rachel, Casey & Lesleyxxx