



North Star Nursery Parent Newsletter Nov 2020

Dear parents,

Welcome to our final newsletter of the year 2020.

Things have been a little different throughout this year with our last events where we could welcome parents through the door were the Family breakfast in February and the early Words Together workshops in March.

We hope you will find this informative.

Staff training

In recent weeks many of our staff have been able to re-qualify as First Aiders – Jodie, Louise, Lisa, Tasha and Grace.

Soraia has completed some hours in both Pioneers and in Discoverers (joining their bubble for a week at a time) to support her in her efforts to achieve her early years level 3 qualification. Bekah has been able to resume her assessments as she works towards gaining her early years level 2 qualification, and Lisa has embarked on her Early Year's level 3 qualification.

Christmas

Sadly this year we will not be able to invite you in for our annual Christmas singalong. However we will be able to hold our Christmas party on Thursday 10th December 2020. This will take place from 2.30pm till 4.30pm with **all children invited**. We have done the sums and can safely meet the ratios to allow all children, whether they currently attend on this session or not, to be involved. We would ask you to form an orderly line at your child's room door from 2.30pm when you can drop them off.

Collection will require a combination of patience and flexibility for all children to be collected, both those with Thursday time slots and those additional party attendees. Sadly, Santa won't be able to make an appearance as he would then need to self-isolate due to Covid 19

Dates for your diary

27th November 2020 – NO PEN DAY. Staff will only be writing the bare essentials today.

30th November – 4th December – national Tree week- expect some changes to the menu including Twiglets!

2nd December 2020 – Raffle draw

10th December 2020 Christmas Party 2.30-4.30pm

16th December 2020 Christmas lunch

21st -23rd December 2020 Holiday Club

23rd December 2020 Close at 5.30pm for Christmas Break.

4th January 2021 – Nursery reopens at 8.00am

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travel restrictions, however he has assured me that with a little special formula of magical time teleportation he will ensure each child has a small gift to take away.

Each room will host their own party afternoon.

This will also be our charity support day with Christmas Dress up £1.00

We will be providing Christmas lunch on Wed 16th Dec 2020. This is for the children who attend on this session only and staff. Again this will take place in each room, rather than the whole nursery joining together as in previous years.

Over the coming weeks we hope to update the "Signing" information on the parents Facebook page to include Christmas, celebrations and New Year.

We are also working on how best to add information that would usually be delivered via our Parent Workshops - watch this space.

Covid 19

Due to the drop in temperature and the frequent showers, we are no longer eating meals outside. We are maintaining outdoor play opportunities throughout the day for each age group.

We are gradually joining over two's (Pioneers and Discoverers) to assist with peak times during the day such as collection time at the end of the day and over sleep time.

Under 2's remain as their own Bubble.

Students

We have welcomed two students on placement with us. It was a tough decision to make, whether we wanted to invite others into the building and into the Bubbles, but without supporting their training, we are not supporting the workforce of the future.

Codi is based in under 2's every Monday, and Leyonce is based in Pioneers every Monday and Friday.

Online shopping.

Just a reminder that by on-line shopping via the easyfundraising portal, you can be generating money for North Star Nursery. This costs you nothing, except a few seconds and a few extra clicks of the mouse. You can even benefit from vouchers and special offers in return.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/northstarnursery/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=cpl

Thank you

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Fundraising items

Orders are coming in fast for the tea towels and bags, don't be disappointed place that order now, not forgetting the Children's t-shirts.

And finally, Non-contact raffle tickets. Place you request via email to the nursery office, make the payment on line, we write your details on the ticket stubs and enter you into the raffle to be drawn on 2nd December 2020 .

Sign-a-long

We will be adding Christmas, New Year and celebration signs to our Facebook page in the coming days.

Have you requested to join our closed group parent page?

Have you joined your child's room WhatsApp group?

Thank you for your patience and support during 2020.

We take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and happy Christmas time.

Take care of each other and those you love.



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