# Newsletter

Autumn-1 2018





## We would like to wish everyone a very warm

welcome to Bottesford Pre-School; either returning to us or new families. All the children have settled in very nicely and are making new friends. We have been following the children's interest in Nursery Rhymes and Paw Patrol, which has included dressing up, making rubble cakes gardening and collecting our home grown tomatoes. Pre-School have a wonderful Facebook page which gives lots of up to date information about what is happening at Pre-School and what the children have been doing while they have been with us. Please like our page and add any comment, we really do appreciate all of your input.

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## FESTIVE FUNDAY AT PRE-SCHOOL



#### SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Pre-School will be holding a fabulous festive fun day on Saturday 1st December 12-4. This is one of our main fundraisers of the year, so please come along and support us. Santa will be popping in to visit us, and we will have many different Christmas stalls, Christmas raffle, children's games and tombola, mulled wine and mince pies, and who knows maybe even some carol singing!.

There will be lights, glitter and holly everywhere to make this a really special event, so please invite all your relatives and friends and make this an afternoon to remember.



#### Pre-School Invoices

Pre-School Invoices will be emailed at the beginning of each term, these can be paid either daily, weekly, monthly or termly. All we ask is that the invoices are paid in advance of the children's sessions. Thank you.

## Pre-School A.G.M. 23rd October 7pm.

We will be holding our annual A.G.M. on 23rd October at Pre-School. If you feel you would like to be part of our Committee please come along and see what we get up to.

As well as fundraising for a very important cause the committee is also very sociable, and we usually meet up once a month in the Bull Inn in Bottesford.

## Labelling Clothes

Please can all children's belongings be named to avoid any confusion, because as you can imagine we have lots of children with many duplicate items. You will see that we have named all the children's lunch boxes as this helps them to find their own box and avoids any child eating the wrong lunch.

Please can we ask that no sun creams, nappy creams or medicines are left in children's bags as this can be harmful to other children if they are allergic. Please speak to your child's keyperson if your require any further information.

## Sue's News

Welcome to a new Pre-school year, and with lots of new faces let me first introduce myself as your healthy eating co-ordinator.

I thought that I would start by talking about our lunch times at Pre-School which are a great time for children, learning to sit and socialise with everyone whilst eating their lunch in nutritional order. They also learn to make healthy choices about what they eat and portion sizes! Your child doesn't need to bring a drink as we provide jugs of water at the table, and please can grapes and baby tomatoes be cut in half to avoid choking. Remember their tummies are only the size of their fists, so two sandwiches are usually plenty, and if adding crisps just a few in a pot is fine. Add to this some fresh fruit and vegetables and a yogurt and that's enough. There is a visual display board above where the lunch boxes are stored if you need any more information, or you can come and have a chat with me. I work Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Ultimately it is your choice as to what you provide in your child's lunchbox, but it is often surprising what they will eat at Pre-School!

Sue Booth Healthy Eating Co-Ordinator

## **Inspiration**

At Bottesford Pre-School, we love to be inspired by the children's interests and we are continually expanding and enhancing their activities. We would really appreciate your help in helping us to introduce the children to new experiences.

Do you paint ie. (water colours), decoupage, joinery, flower arranging, football, sew, keep bees—make honey?. It would be fantastic if you could come along and let the children have an insight into your hobby. Any day any time 10 minutes to 1 hour whatever suits you best - we'd love to see you. You can contact us on 01949 844489, looking forward to hearing from you.

## School Admissions

If your child will be four years old before 1st September 2019 and starting school for the first time the closing date for applications is 15th January 2019. To apply for a place you can apply on line at www.leics.gov.uk/admissions or direct at the local school. If you require any further information please speak to our Transition co-ordinator, Catherine Avison. It would be really useful for transition if you could tell your child's key person which school you are hoping they will go to.

If you apply online, your primary school place result will be sent by email on offer day.

# Dates for your diary



## Pre-School AGM

23rd October 7.00pm

#### Half Term Holiday

Monday 15th-Friday 19th October. Pre-school will be closed

## Christmas Holiday

Pre-School closes Friday 21st December - Monday 7th January 2019

#### Christmas Party

Friday 21st December More information to follow. 2pm to 5pm

## Half Term Holiday

Monday 18th February—Friday 22 February. Pre-School will be closed.

### Curling Evening

Saturday 2nd March 2019 (Save the date - information to follow)

#### Family Fun Day

Sunday 23rd June 2019 (Save the date - information to follow)

## Hot Water Bottles

Have you any got any unloved hot water bottles you could donate to support the Hot Water Bottle Network Nottingham? You can have a look at their Facebook page for more info. Thank you.

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