

News letter



Dear Parents,

Welcome to our first News Letter for this school year.

We would just like to take this opportunity to tell you about some of the events and activities coming up this term both in and out of school. If you have any questions or queries or feel you could help in any way please come and talk to any member of staff, we would love to hear from you.

STOP PRESS

School Photographs

The photographer will be visiting school **THIS THURSDAY**.

Anyone wishing their child to have their photograph taken should attend between 9.00 and 11.30 am.

Everyone is welcome and photographs will be available for Christmas delivery.



Autumn Walk

A big thank you to all the parents and grandparents who joined us on our autumn walk to Ennerdale last week. The weather could have been kinder to us and unfortunately due to the rain we did not manage to visit all the areas we wanted to. However I think the event was enjoyed by all the children and gave them the opportunity to experience a different environment and see the changes that autumn brings. Lets hope we choose a nicer day for our next visit!



Every year we support the Children in Need charity by having a crazy day in nursery.



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Children in Need

This year it takes place on

FRIDAY 16th NOVEMBER. On this day we would like everyone to come to nursery in their pyjamas and bring their teddy bears. We will organise lots of fun activities for the children including a teddy bear's picnic and face painting. In return we ask for a donation of £1.00 (or more if you wish) from each child which we give directly to Children in Need to support children less fortunate than our own.

Developments and improvements

Those of you who had children in the nursery last year may remember that we have been working hard to evaluate and improve all we do at Frizington Nursery.

One thing we are looking at is the information we provide to yourselves and how we can best do this. To help us make the improvements **YOU WANT** we would be very grateful if you could help us by completing and returning the parents questionnaire which staff will be giving you very shortly.

New notice boards

Two new notice boards have now been put up in Tommy's room, (where you wait before the sessions begin), one for the morning session, the other for the afternoon session. Please check them regularly as details of everything that is going on in the nursery will be posted there for your reference.

Please also come into the classroom and look at the slideshows of photographs which also show you what we have been up to.

Extra activities just for parents.

Did you know that there is a **FREE yoga session EVERY MONDAY afternoon in term time, from 1.15pm until 2.30pm.** It is gently relaxing and suitable for everyone. If you would like to attend and need a childcare place please speak to Janet. Come along with a friend if you can, only twelve places are available, on a first come first served basis.

We plan to run a ten week course called **Healthy Living with your Child.** It is only for two hours a week and will last for five weeks, taking place in the library. The options to choose include **Healthy Eating, Fitness, Child Development and First Aid,** but there are many more. Please give your name to the Centre office if you are interested.

The course will run from late November into December. Hurry only a few places are available!

We are looking for just a few more interested people to take up places for the **NVQ in Childcare and Education level 2 or 3, which Lakes College will be running here at Frizington from January.** If you would like to attend this course childcare places will be paid for. **The closing date is 30th November.** Please give your name to Alison if you are interested.

Christmas fund raising

- The Christmas edition of the **Book People catalogue** will be with you later this week as you know this is an excellent opportunity for you to buy top quality books at very good prices and raise money for books for school at the same time.
- **Christmas raffle** we will be holding a raffle to raise money towards our Christmas activities, tickets will be sent home with each child nearer the time, if you would like any extras please just ask! We would appreciate donations of prizes you are able to make.
- **Christmas tombola** we will also be running a tombola in the run up to Christmas and donations of suitable prizes for adults and children would also be appreciated.



Dates for your diary

- **THURSDAY 8th NOVEMBER** - Photographer in school **MORNING ONLY**
- **FRIDAY 16th NOVEMBER** - Children in Need Day
- **FRIDAY 7th DECEMBER** - Christmas Open Day (please arrange for an adult to be able to spend the session with your child in nursery on this day, lots of Christmassy things to do)
- **THURSDAY 13th DECEMBER** - morning session children will be singing their Christmas songs for parents - afternoon session children are invited to nursery for Christmas Lunch (arriving 11.45am)
- **FRIDAY 14th DECEMBER** - morning session children are invited to nursery for Christmas lunch (leaving 12.30pm) - afternoon session children will be singing their Christmas songs for parents
- **TUESDAY 18th DECEMBER** - ALL children are invited to meet Father Christmas on the Ratty's Santa Express. This will be a full day trip & a picnic lunch will be provided.
- **WEDNESDAY 19th DECEMBER** - ALL children are invited to join us for our Christmas party with Children's entertainer Dave Simpson. This is a morning event and there will be no nursery session in the afternoon.

NURSERY RE-OPENS on MONDAY 7th JANUARY 2008