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outstanding invoices ASAP**



**November/December 2017**

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## **Newsletter**

**With the build up to Christmas, there are lots of activities happening – I will send out regular texts and emails to keep you informed.**

### **Competition for Christmas Fair Navestock Village Hall Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 10am til 3.30pm**

We are holding a competition for the children to make an angel or star for the Navestock Village Hall Christmas tree. Entries will be judged at the fair and prizes will be given out for the winners. Everyone is invited to enter.

**Please start making your  
decoration now!**

### **Navestock Christmas Fair Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 10am til 3.30pm**

Santa arrives at 1pm

- Face Painting
- Reindeer food
- Icing biscuits
- Decorating baubles
- Hot chocolate reindeer
- Judging of the best angel or star in the Christmas tree competition with prizes being given out for the top 3 entries.

And lots of other craft stalls.

**Please come along and support us!**

### **Donation/Swear Boxes coming soon – please fill with any loose change to return to us in January.**

**We need to raise money for:**

- A new CD player
- Black rubber mats for the garden
- Outside play equipment
- Outside storage sheds

### **Contact Books - please use them**

Contact Books are a way for the pre-school staff to communicate with parents about their child. Every child has a Contact Book. Please write in them and return them to be updated by your child's key person. There is a Red, Amber, Green system for the books in the foyer.

### **Tempest Photographs**

Please return any payments or unwanted photographs as soon as possible.

### **How can you help me with my learning?**

Look out for advice and suggestions in your child's contact book on how to help your child achieve their 'Next Steps'.

### **Very Important**

**It is very important that you let us know if anyone different is picking up your child. Please fill in the correct Collection form and write in the Sign-in register. Also remember to tell the person picking up your child your password.**

### **Really Important**

**PLEASE PLEASE** remember to put your child's name in their clothes e.g. coats and jackets – staff waste so much time sorting out whose coat is whose!!

Please bring in a **NAMED** pair of wellies for your child to play outside in the garden.

We have a lovely new trunk to store the wellies. ☺

### **'Wonky' Wednesday**

Please remember we open at **9am**.  
The last 'Wonky' Wednesdays this half term is: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

**Thursday mornings: Rhythm and Rhyme** – dancing, songs and games to music.

**Friday mornings: Shining Stars** – games, counting, taking turns, ball skills.

### **Dates for your diary**

We will be having a Nativity this year – more details to follow.  
Last day of term is **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**. We will be holding a **Christmas Breakfast Bazaar at 9.15am** for all parents /carers. The day will finish at **12.15pm**.

### **Keep us up to date**

Please remember to keep us up to date with any address or telephone number changes.

### **Alfie Bear and Friends have a new map to show their travels**

so please invite one to go with you on holiday and take lots of photos to share at the pre-school and on the map!

### **Items needed**

- Junk modelling – particularly toilet roll and kitchen roll tubes
- Items needed for a Hamper for our Christmas raffle

### **Thank you!**

for recommending the pre-school to your family and friends with children – I'm getting lots of enquiries and we have had lots of new children arriving. Please continue to recommend us.

### **Meeting with your child's key person**

From 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018 there will be appointments available for you to meet with your child's key person and to view your child's folder. If you would like to meet with your child's key person earlier than this please speak to Pam.

### **Please remember to bring in verification of your postcode and your child's birth certificate.**

Essex County Council require us to verify the postcode where your child lives and therefore please bring in some form of identification to enable us to do this. e.g. driving licence, utilities bill.

Also, we need to see your child's birth certificate to verify their date of birth so please bring this in as soon as possible, if you have not already done so.

### **Charity Status - Gift Aid Forms**

As we are a charity, and, if you are a UK tax payer and eligible to Gift Aid your donation, we can claim Gift Aid on the money you give to us. Please ask a member of staff for a Gift Aid form. This will increase your gift by 25p for every £1 given (at current rate) at no extra cost to you or us. The Gift Aid can be claimed from when we opened the pre-school so this will be a huge financial help to us.

**The person named on the form must be a taxpayer.**

### **Interest Table Topic**

This week: **Children in Need**  
Rest of the term: **CHRISTMAS** 😊

### **Quiz Night for Little Doves**

**Friday February 16<sup>th</sup> 2018**  
Tables of 8. Tickets £8. More details to follow.

### **Illnesses**

Please tell Pam if your child is unwell with an infectious disease - e.g. Chicken Pox, Slapped Cheek, so we can make a note.  
Thank you.

### **Sessions for January 2018**

Please confirm your child's hours for January 2018 in writing to Pam as soon as possible as we have a lot of enquiries.

with love & prayers from  
Pam & the Little Doves team.