WEEK BEGINNING 15th OCTOBER 2018

This coming week we will be looking at woodland animals, making cardboard tube animals and birds. (if you have any spare cardboard tubes, please drop them in). We will make hand print animals, as well as doing lots of colouring.

This week our colour is ORANGE and our number is 7.

Please remember, Sarah the photographer will be in on Tuesday, so if you would like your child's photo taken and he/she doesn't normally come in on a Tuesday please be in for 9am.

If you haven't already signed up for the Halloween Party food, please have a look at the list.

We finish on Friday for the Half term holiday and will return on Tuesday 30th October.

If you have any queries/issues please make sure you speak to Jo Galloway in setting or on O158O 212777 / O7483 262753 or your child's key worker who will be able to help. As well as Jo Galloway, our Manager, your child's key worker and Zoe Bedford-Cooper, our Business Manager <u>zoeggvp@gmail.com</u> I am always available should you wish to discuss any aspect of your pre-school experience O7766 553728 / jaynegvp@gmail.com.

GENERAL NOTICES:

<u>**Clothing:**</u> Please make sure your child brings a name coat for all sessions please. As amazing as our staff are it can be tricky to match children to coats when we are going outdoors with no names in them and it's getting too cold for a child to go outside if they have no coat in session. Please also make sure your child has appropriate clothes and shoes for the time of year. Named wellies (to be left at the setting), hats, coats and gloves, a spare change of clothes and waterproofs (for spending time in the Forest Fun Area and our vegetable garden) would be ideal as the weather becomes chilly and wet.

<u>Race Night – Pudding Auction Donations: I now have two volunteers, huge thanks to those that have said</u> <u>they would make one!</u> On Race night we auction seven puddings, which last year raised over £300. Can anyone volunteer to make a pudding for 8–10 people please? Please email <u>jaynegvp@gmail.com</u> or speak to myself of Jo if you can help. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Polite Notice: We are experiencing quite a few late drop offs and it is proving disruptive to the start of the sessions, as we can't go outside to the Forest Area or garden until everyone is in. We very much understand that this is unavoidable at times and as a one off or with prior notice this is fine but please make every effort to get your child in on time so we can start our day. We are happy to let children in ten minutes early if it is arranged in advance but as we have to set up in the morning we will not have time to discuss any important issues you may have. We hope you are understanding of this polite request.

Donations of pre-school clothing: If you are having a clear out and would like to donate any unwanted O-5yrs clothing to the pre-school we would be very grateful. Money raised from the clothing sale rail is invested in the children's pre-school experience, for the garden/forest area, for crafting, for baking etc. Many thanks for your support ©

Fancy Dress Halloween Party to be held in setting on Wednesday 31st October 10.30 – 1.00pm. If your child is not on register that day please come in at 10.30. No packed lunches needed.

<u>Can you volunteer for an hour or two?</u> Any parents who would like to come in to do reading or other activities please talk to Jo who will be very happy to hear from you.

<u>Nuts!!! A BIG reminder</u>: Because of allergies, children should not bring in food items containing nuts for their packed lunch. We hope you understand the severity if a child with allergies were to come into contact. Even the smallest amount could have huge consequences. Thank you for your understanding in this regard.

<u>A gentle reminder</u>: Wet wipes and nappies should be provided in your child's bag and a change of clothes is also advisable.

<u>Invoices</u>: If you would like to discuss your termly invoices or if you wish to set up a payment contract to spread the cost of your child's sessions at pre-school please get in touch with our Business Manager, Zoe

Bedford-Cooper <u>zoeggvp@gmail.com</u>, who will happily help with any issues you may have. If you add any sessions or lunch clubs after your initial invoice you will be invoiced separately for them.

<u>Voluntary Contributions</u>: You will notice that you have received an invoice for a 'voluntary contribution'. The pre-school is very, very grateful for those parents who have paid this. Money received from these invoices is set aside and used directly to buy pre-school equipment and resources that we would otherwise not be able to afford. Last term we used £160 that you kindly paid to purchase all in one waterproof suits for the children to enable us to enjoy the outdoors whatever the weather. These contributions are directly to benefit your child's pre-school experience with us and each term we will tell you how much has been received and what we have invested it in for your children. Many thanks for continuing to support the pre-school.

<u>**30 Hours Funding:**</u> For anybody wanting 30 hours funding please look on the childcare choices website (<u>https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/</u>). We have limited places so please let Jo or Zoe know if you are considering this option. If you have any queries please contact Zoe on <u>zoeggvp@gmail.com</u>.

Future Sessions for your Child(ren): Sessions now and in the future are filling up very fast to the point there may have to be a waiting list for some sessions/days, so if you are thinking of increasing your child's sessions in the next few months and have not already spoken to Jo about which days you would like then please do so as sessions are very limited.

<u>Sick Days:</u> If your child is ill and has to take a sick day then please ring the setting asap to let us know: 01580 212777 / 07483 262753.

Parking / Vicarage: The lane adjacent to the playground is the entrance to the vicarage and they are a family of four children who also have to be dropped to school etc. Please do not park in this lane as you are essentially blocking the way to a residence. We know parking can be tricky at times but do bear this in mind.

FUNDRAISING - SAVE THE DATE

Horse Race Night to be held on Saturday 17th November : ONE TABLE REMAINING!! ^(C) See attached poster....BOOK NOW! If you can't make the night but would like to support the event Horse and Jockeys will be on sale shortly at pick up / drop off. Look out for details on coming weekly emails.



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