

Busy Lizzie's Newsletter – December 2018



Important Dates!

End of term 14th December @ 1pm followed by Christmas Play, raffle & visit from Santa
Spring Term starts – 7th January 2019
Spring Term ends – 5th April

School Leavers: If your child is going to school in September please make sure that you have filled in the online application as there is only 5 weeks left until the deadline!

Raffle: Any donations of raffle prizes for our last day on 14th December will be much appreciated!

Welcome to our December Newsletter!

As before please make sure that your child has a jumper, coat and whatever else they need to keep them warm (hat, gloves, scarf) as we will be going outside at least for a short while most days! For the remainder of the term we will be engaging in Christmasy activities so don't forget to ask your child what they have been doing, check their boxes for what they may have made and look at our Facebook to see photos of what we have been up to!

This Month...

The last day is on Friday 14th December and we will be finishing at 1pm. **Please make sure you return to join your child (or collect them) by this time as they will be in your care from 1pm onwards!** The children will then be dressing up and joining in a song based Christmas Play for you all to enjoy – this will be very basic and relaxed so if children don't want to join in, wander off or want you to join in with them that is absolutely fine with us! Father Christmas will be visiting at 2pm and there also be a raffle so any prizes would be appreciated! All children are invited so if your child is not usually in then please do bring them (and stay with them!) in at 1pm to join in the fun.

Did you know....

Research has shown that children should not regularly have screen time of more than 2 hours a day. More than this can have a negative effect on all areas of their development!

Speak to us about....

- Busy Lizzie's uniform – if you would like to purchase polo shirts or jumpers for your child we have a stock available
- Funding – you may be entitled to 2 year old Free Entitlement Funding and some parents may also be entitled to 30 hours Extended FE funding
- What your child has been doing – this could be new experiences, things they have learnt or things they are currently struggling with
- Any hobbies or skills you have that you may want to share with the children or if you know anyone with an interesting career that may wish to come in for a visit
- If you have any worries or concerns, please come and find a member of staff who will be happy to chat with you!

Lunchboxes – if you wish to provide a spare sandwich bag to pop all your child's lunch wrappers/left over food items in, we are happy to do so, leaving this in the lunchbox so that you can see what your child has eaten or not eaten in a more hygienic manner!

Reminders:

- **Fees – If you pay for your child to attend please make sure you do this on time!**
- Please provide a healthy lunchbox (no nuts or sweets please), water bottle, labelled bag with nappies & wipes (if applicable), a spare set of clothes (even if your child is toilet trained) a jumper & coat
- Children are no longer allowed to bring in toys from home, as they can get lost/broken which can be upsetting.
- Weather – please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather including footwear and that they have coats etc with them when needed
- **Label - everything! We are not able to remember what things belong to what child and your child may not always be able to tell us themselves. In particular ensure bags, lunchboxes and water bottles are labelled.**
- Inform – please let us know if your child is going to be absent and why, if they have had an accident at home, if you've moved or changed your phone number or if someone we haven't seen before is collecting your child.
- Phones – please do NOT use your mobile phone while you are within Busy Lizzie's – this is necessary to ensure the safety of the children in our care.
- Clothing – children will get messy so please do not send them in their best clothes!