



Newsletter

11/10/19

*There has been lots of fantastic learning at playgroup this week! In Squirrels the children have been practicing putting on their own wellies and coats for outdoor play and a nature walk (please keep practicing at home!), they have been engaging in lots of varied mark-making activities such as dry sand and in paint, and they have been learning about numbers using the large Numicon. In Penguins the children have been working in small groups with the adults to build upon their skills using numbers 1-10, they have explored 'feelings' through stories and circle time activities, and they have baked crisps and rhubarb crumble! Across both rooms, the children have continued to explore the effects of Autumn with sensory bins, leaf printing, and non-fiction books. In outdoor play it has been a rainy and windy week, helping the children to learn about changes in the weather at this time of year. The children have engaged in small world play with animals in the sand and car toys, and have used our den and playhouse for lots of role play. **Please see our picture section at the end of the newsletter and visit the website for more photos!***

Suitable Outdoor clothing

Please can we remind you to send your child in clothing suitable for the weather now that the colder days are upon us? Layers of clothes are ideal for this time of year as when they come back inside they can take a jumper or cardigan off if they get too warm. If you have some, a pair of wellies that can be hung on their peg would be ideal for our outdoor play and a change of clothes at all times. Thank you.

Inset Day Reminder

Just to remind you all that Friday 25th October is an inset day so we will finish for the half term break on Thursday 24th October. We will then return on Monday 4th November.

Reminder of New Bank Details

Thank for your patience while we have been setting up our new bank account. Jo Young has emailed parents about the new payment details, but in case you have not received this the new details are as follows;-

Bank Account Name – Coalway Early Years

Sort Code – 30-90-89

Account number – 50498160

If you experience any problems with making payments to the new account, please see a member of the office staff.

Photographer visit

Thank you everyone that has returned their reply slips indicating whether they would like their child's photograph taken on Wednesday 6th November. Without a signed permission slip we will not take your child's photograph. Photograph's can be taken with younger siblings whom you can add on the reply slip and these photos will be taken first on the morning.

Thank you!

We would like to thank everyone that has been bringing in cooking ingredients for our baking activities; we really do appreciate your generosity for us to be able to carry out these shared experiences with the children.

A big thank you to Jacob and Jessica Short and family for all the amazing new cooking equipment and ingredients they have been providing over the past few weeks.

Harvest Raffle –We now have four small hampers made up ready for our Harvest Festival, if you would still like to donate items we will be donating anything else to ‘The Forest Food Bank’ .We are planning a mini Harvest Festival for the children in Penguins room on Wednesday 23rd October, and parents/carers are welcome to join us from 2.30pm. **If your child does not normally attend that day, please feel free to come in and join us.** The children will perform a few Harvest/Autumn themed songs, and will be helping to put our model hedgehog ‘Twinkle’ to be in his next so that he can hibernate for the winter! We will also draw the Harvest raffle on that day.

Dates for the diary:

- W/C 21st October – Harvest Raffle to be drawn
- Thursday 24th October – last day of term 1
- Friday 25th October – In Service Day-nursery closed
- Monday 4th November – Start of Term 2
- Wednesday 6th November – Photo Day
- Monday 25th November – In Service Day- nursery closed
- Friday 20th December – End of Term for Christmas
- Monday 6th January – Start of Term 3

