



5<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents

Welcome back to Coleview pre-school and the second half of our autumn term, one of the busiest terms of the academic year.

This term, as well as following the children's interests and planning accordingly, we will be looking at 'Celebrations, Festivals and Traditions' that take place at this time of year, including:- Bonfire night, Diwali, Remembrance Day, Children in Need, St. Andrews Day and Christmas. As usual a weekly information sheet will be added to your child's 'Home and Pre-school Link Book', detailing the activities on offer to the children at pre-school and ideas on how you can continue the theme and children's learning at home. Further details about our daily plans are available on the pre-school notice board.

#### Photographer

The pre-schools photographers, Terry & Sue Ferris, will be in pre-school on WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER (morning only). All children who attend pre-school on a Wednesday morning will be photographed unless you advise us otherwise, please note there is NO obligation to buy. If your child does not attend pre-school on a Wednesday morning but you would like them to be photographed please bring them along between 9.30am and 11.30am. Siblings are welcome.

#### Fundraising Quiz Night.

The fundraising team are holding a quiz night (adults only) on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm in the Towcester Suite of the Coleview Community Centre.** Tickets are £3 per person and teams can consist of 1-6 members. Tickets are available to buy at pre-school (ask a member of staff or a committee member). This is always a really good night with a great variety of subjects, food will be available to purchase on the night and there will be a raffle for which tickets can also be purchased whether you are attending or not. Come along and have a bit of fun whilst getting to know other parents of children at pre-school. Hope to see you there.

#### Children in Need week.

For 'Children in Need' week, 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> November, we will be exploring the theme of 'Superheroes'. The children can come in dressed as Superheroes during this week, they can be a recognised hero (e.g. Batman, PJ masks, Supergirl etc) or they can come in as a Superhero they have made up. If your child does come in dressed up please make sure they have appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather as the children have access to the outside play area at all times. More details will follow in your child's Home and Pre-school Link Book.

## Fund Raising

Thank you to those parents who answered the call for help on the Fund Raising Committee, we are very grateful and hope you enjoy the experience.

The committee are always ready to welcome new members so if you are interested in joining our parents fund raising team, please complete the slip attached and return it to pre-school or alternatively speak to a member of staff. Thank you.

Information is also available on 'FACEBOOK' please search: Coleview Pre-School Fundraising Group.

Your continued support and kindness is very, much appreciated. Thank you.

## Suggestions Box

We are always open to suggestions and new ideas, particularly if they are from parents as you have a vested interest in our pre-school. Please speak to a member of staff or write in your child's home/pre-school link book/ or if you would prefer please write it down and place it in our suggestions box which is in the pre-school foyer. These can be anonymous if you prefer. Thank you.

## Coats and Jackets

Please remember to provide your child with a coat or jacket to wear during pre-school sessions. As outdoor play is an important factor in children's learning and development, all children have the opportunity to access outdoor play during the pre-school day and therefore need to be suitably clothed as the weather deteriorates. Can I also take this opportunity to remind you **to label all of your children's items of clothing clearly with their names**, to prevent any confusion. Thank you.

## Dates for your Diary

**THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** – Photographer (morning only). Details above.

**FRIDAY 9<sup>th</sup> November** – Quiz Night. Details as above.

**TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** – Christmas Concert, 10.30a.m. in the Towcester Suite of the Community Centre. More details to follow.

**(Please note on this day pre-school will be open after the concert for the afternoon session at 12.30pm as usual.)**

**FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** – Children's Christmas Party, 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon.

**Please note there will be NO pre-school session on this day.** All children should arrive at 10 a.m. and be collected at 12 noon, parents are not required to stay. Thank you.

## Christmas Break.

Pre-School will close after the Christmas party on 14<sup>th</sup> December and will re-open at 09.00am on **TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019.**

School Admissions.

Children born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 will be due to start school in September 2019.

Can I please remind you that **school applications must be made by 15th January 2019.**

Applications can be made online at: [www.swindon.gov.uk/primaryschoolplaces](http://www.swindon.gov.uk/primaryschoolplaces) or for further information please call the admissions team on 01793 445500

Yours sincerely

Sharon Roberts

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I would be interested in joining the pre-school fund raising team.

Name.....

Child's Name: .....

Tel no.....

Email address.....