



Newsletter January 2020

Spring Term

Introduction

Welcome to St. John's Sunshine's newsletter, the first of the year 2020. Firstly, I would like to say I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and New Year and thank you for all our lovely gifts and cards. We would like to welcome back the returning children and a very big welcome to our new children and parents. We would also like to welcome a new staff member, Jo, to the Sunshine team. Jo will be working Tuesday to Friday mornings. Aelwen will still be with us, but as Bank Staff, as she has returned to teaching. We are all looking forward to seeing what the new school year brings to Sunshine.

Our fundraising last term

We would like to say thank you for all your love and support you have given us, not just with the changes, but also with the fundraising. If we didn't have your support, we wouldn't have raised so much from September through to December.

PJ Day -£40.30

Mad Hair- £22.00

Sponsored Snake and Spider -£717.00 (We also made the local newspaper)

Christmas Fair- £228.30

So we made a grand total of **£1,007.65**

We are all so amazed at how much we got, so we thank you all again. In the coming months, you will be seeing new learning equipment for the children.

Feedback and Reviews

We will be handing out feedback forms in the next week or so, any feedback will be very much appreciated, we would also be very grateful for any reviews to our google site, Thank you.

Snack Time

Please can I ask that, if at all possible, we receive a donation of a piece of fruit a day. If you wish to make a bigger donation, then this can either be fruit, vegetables, rice cakes and raisins for the children to enjoy as part of a healthy snack.

What are we learning

We will be learning all about Space, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day and Easter, all these topics will be shown in messy play, role play, art, math's, writing and cooking. You will see lots of new displays.

Routine

On arrival, can you please find your child's name with them and then place on the board. For your child's coat to go on the coat rack by the back doors and your child's bag to go on the wall hooks, this helps us to know which bag belongs to which child, without getting things lost.

Water bottles to be put on the table by the kitchen hatch and lunch boxes left on the kitchen side.

Dates for your Diaries

- TBC -Open Day 10 till 11.30 To promote the Pre-school (normal session)
- 17/02/2020- 21/02/2020- February Half Term
- Week of the 09/03/2020 to 13/03/2020 (normal sessions all week) Your child's Sponsored Bounce, (More information will be handed out the week 10th February)
- TBC-Easter Egg Hunt (On Annemarie's Land - Not a normal session)
- 06/04/2020-17/04/2020- Easter Half Term

Reminders

Please can we ask that all children's belongings are clearly labelled.
Appropriate clothing is worn for the weather conditions.
Change of shoes if you come in wellies.

Each Day I come to Pre School

I will need.....
Spare clothes
Water bottle
Book bag
Day book
Piece of fruit

Lunchtime reminders

Please can we ask that if your child has grapes in their lunch box that these have been **CUT UP** for their safety.

Also, please ensure that children **DO NOT** have nuts in their lunch boxes, (No Nutella, Peanut butter, etc)

Contacts

As of September, there has been no WhatsApp group (Due to General Data Protection Regulations). For staff and parents to be in contact with one another, it will be done through email, text, and letters or in your child's day books. Thank you for your understanding, but if you do have any questions regarding this, please come and see me.

I have done a new contacts list for 2019/2020, if you haven't sent it back already please can we have this back ASAP, this information is very important for us to have, in case of an emergency and to keep our records up to date. All the personal information given will be confidential.

Fundraising Information

As some of you may be aware, we are a non-profit, charity run Pre-school, due to this we rely on donations to be able to give your children the best possible experience during their time at Sunshine. Throughout the year, we hold several fundraisers, with all money raised going back into the pre-school to provide new equipment, etc. to give your children a great start to their education.

If any parents would like to join our committee, please come and speak with Kim or Jo. We are happy for you to give as little or as much time as you can to help towards the Pre School.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kim, Jo, Annemarie, Georgiie, Jan and Jo