

St. Luke's



Pre-school

November 2016 Newsletter

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DEAR PARENTS

Thank you to all those that attended the AGM and offered their advice, support, time ... the pre-school cannot run without you and all your time and effort is invaluable. Congratulations (?!!!) to our newly elected Chair, Angela, Vice-Chair, Jess and thank you again to all those who have offered to support them.



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CHILDREN'S BELONGINGS

Please ensure children **do not wear their best clothing** to pre-school: painting overalls are provided but accidents can still happen. The pre-school has its own design of sweatshirts and t-shirts for sale.

Children should not bring sweets or wear jewellery to pre-school. Please write your child's name on their lunchbox and bag.



Learning

CHILDREN IN NEED....

On **Friday the 18th of November** we will be supporting the Children in Need national fundraising event. Our donations will support small and large organisations in the UK and every penny we give makes a difference. Children and staff are invited to wear something spotty for a £1 donation and children can buy Pudsey ears (suggested donation £2.50) and/or Pudsey and Blush wristband (suggested donation £1) from pre-school. Many thanks for your anticipated support.



Activities

This Months Phonetics
Weeks Commencing
31st Oct - H
7th & 14th Nov - I & J
21st & 28th Nov - K & L

Happy Birthday!!!
Faye, Kate & Ryder
Are 3 and Stuie is 4
This Month!!



BBC Children in Need

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STAR / HELPER OF THE DAY

Each morning a child is volunteered to be the helper of the day and gets to take home a certificate to recognise their counting the children at the beginning of the day in circle time, tidying up the names and photos on board towards the end of the session, setting out the cups, plates and snacks at snack time ...



Lion Visit



SHOW AND TELL FRIDAY

Every Friday is show and tell. Children are encouraged to bring in something (toy, book, photo ...anything) beginning with that week's phonic: 'H' for horse ...

STAFFROOM NEWS

We welcome **Michelle Lawlor** who as part of her teaching assistant course is volunteering at the pre-school on Tuesdays.



Pretend Play

Coffee Morning

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 2nd Nov - Rochester Fire Station Visit
Mon 7th Nov - Visit to Sikh Temple
Fri 18th Nov - Children in Need
Sat 19th Nov - Santa Fun Run
Mon 21st Nov - Christmas Shop
Mon 28th Nov - Christmas Themed Tag Day
Thurs 1st Dec - Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal
Sat 3rd Dec - Breakfast with Santa
Tues 6th Dec - Christmas Play
Thursday 8th Dec - Christmas Party - End of Term



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WHAT WE DID LAST MONTH ...

'Supertato' and 'Supertato Veggies Assemble' by Sue Hendra proved to be big hits to read, draw, colour, make and act out.

We high-fived a lion.

Pretend play - made new friends whilst out shopping.

Made, ate and sold cakes, and dressed up for Macmillan Cancer Support's Coffee Morning raising a fantastic £114.13!!!

Painted our fairy doors for our Fairy Garden

Named our pirate ship 'The Jolly Bear' Congratulations to Lacey and Johnpaul, winners of £10 Toys'R'Us vouchers

Favourite books were read and shared.



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SANTA CLAUSES RUNNING THROUGH TOWN

To be more precise, 1000+ Santas, running through Rochester, on Saturday 19th November.

Join Mr Bains, Dazzle (the Medway Dragons dragon mascot) and hundreds of others taking part in the 2016 Santa Fun Run, in aid of Medway Rotary's Children's Hospice Holidays, supporting Demelza amongst others. A fun family day out for all. Full details of The Santa Fun Run, online registration and all events taking place on the day @ www.santafunrun.net It would be great to see everyone there and have a group photo at the end of the race in the castle moat opposite the cathedral.



Santa Fun Run

WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD IN MEDWAY? ...

If you are concerned that a child or young person living in Medway is suffering from harm, please use the following contact details for Medway Council's 'Children's Advice and Duty Service' (CADS)

Tel : 01634 334466 | 24 hour emergency number 03000 419191

ALTERNATIVE TELEPHONE NUMBERS WHERE YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT A CHILD

NSPCC : 0808 800 5000 | Email: help@nspcc.org.uk

Child Line : 08001111

Medway Police : 01622690690

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

Non-emergency number 101 | Emergency number 999

LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer) Clare Wilkes – tel: 01634 331229

email: clare.wilkes@medway.gov.uk

WHISTLE BLOWING

(Expressing concern about a member of staff)

If you are concerned about a child at the pre-school and/or feel uncomfortable about how a staff or committee member acts or speaks with the children, you must follow the procedures the pre-school has in place and tell the Designated Child Protection Coordinator (DCPC), Maria Hill. If you feel unhappy speaking to her, then speak to the Deputy DCPC, Wendy Perkins or the Committee Chairperson, Angela Beckett.

If you are unhappy with the response you receive, you must contact both Medway Council's LADO, Clare Wilkes, as above, and then contact Ofsted:

Tel : 0300 123 3155 email: whistleblowing@ofsted.gov.uk

If Medway Council's LADO is unavailable, you should inform Ofsted of this.



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