

Crawlers Newsletter November/December 2018



WELCOME

This month the children have really enjoyed the story *How the Leopard Got His Spots*. We have been talking about the animals in the book, looking at how many spots the leopard has. The next book we will be reading will be *Cinderella*!

We raised £142 this month for Children in Need. Thank you to all the parents for being involved the children had a fab fun filled pyjama day doing a variety of activities including painting and pass the parcel.

The weather is turning now and we would love to still get outside so please make sure you bring suitable shoes, coats and warm clothing. We do try and get even the youngest children outside but we need some warm clothes to do this.

At this time of year we get a lot of toys donated. We do not have space for all toys but would love some role play toys including babies and clothes, people and animals, wooden jigsaws and any baby toys. We would be very grateful for any of these in our Crawlers room.

We are starting to do lots of craft activities for our Christmas bags so please can you make sure you send your children in old clothes, we do put aprons on but sometimes paint still gets on clothes.

Thank you, the Crawlers Team

Ofsted rated GOOD in all areas

A consistent approach to Early Years
for the last 10 years 2008, 2011, 2013,
2017


Ofsted
Good
Provider



Nut Allergies

Just a reminder that we have children in the setting with allergies so please make sure any snacks or lunches that are sent in are nut free.

DIARY DATES

Closed for Training days: 4th January 2019, 15th April 2019, 26th July 2019

Closed Bank Holidays: 19th April 2019, 22nd April 2019, 6th May 2019, 27th May 2019

Jigsaws Christmas Party 18th December

Christmas: Close Friday 21st December
open January 7th 2019

Party Time!



Tuesday 18th of December will be our Christmas Party. A visit from Santa and his friends, Elf pictures and a burst of carol song from our Discoverers. All children booked in on this day will be involved and Emma will be preparing a lovely Christmas dinner. If you do not normally attend parents and children are welcome to pop in and see our visitor deliver gifts or



Names in clothes please

Could we ask all parents to name clothes at Jigsaws at the moment a lot of children who have the same coats, hats and wellingtons.

Important Safety Reminder

Please could we ask that all parents close and lock the front gate on the way in and out to keep the children safe. Thank you.

Child Assessments

Your child's assessments will be published in December. These give you an overview of how your child is doing in all areas of learning. They also share with you any concerns we have and targets we are working on for you to help with at home.

There will be a parents evening in early January to discuss these assessments with staff. Date to follow.

Home Learning Bags



We have home learning bags for you to loan for 50p with activities for you to do at home. These are in the front reception area. Please ask your room supervisor if you wish to use one.

You can choose from four bags:

- Shape, size and pattern (Explorers and Discoverers)
- Numbers (Explorers and Discoverers)
- Reading and writing (Explorers and Discoverers)
- Heuristic Play (Crawlers and Explorers)

Jigsaws Session Start and Finish Time Reminder

Please note that children who are due to start at 9am must not be brought in before this time. We have a duty of care to your children and cannot meet this if we do not have the correct amount of staff for the children on the premises outside of the booked times.

Also children need to be collected from Jigsaws before you collect children from school as the afternoon session ends at 3pm.



Meet the Crawlers team



Amie Ross
Room Supervisor



Danni Heneachon
Deputy Room Supervisor



Sophie Gaddas
Practitioner



Laura Sanderson
Practitioner

Nicole Newiss – Operations Manager

Helen Smith – Business Manager

Are you looking for support with childcare costs?

Childcare Choices brings together all the government childcare offers in one place for the first time. The new Childcare Choices website makes it easy to find out what's on offer.

Use the Childcare Calculator at www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator to see what offers are available to support you and your family.

To find out more about the new and existing offers, and how they can help you, go to the Childcare Choices website today at www.childcarechoices.gov.uk