

# Foundation Stage 1 Newsletter January 2011

Happy New Year to you all

## Thank You

To everyone who contributed to the CAFOD Christmas Card we raised £56.75. So we will be sending one family a water pack (£30), a School Starter Packs (£7) and two football kits (£10) to children in the third world.



## Weather



This is our topic for this half term. We will be investigating rain, ice, snow, wind and rainbows. We will be talking about the right clothes to wear, listening to stories and poems about the weather and creating lots of pictures using different resources. We have a Rainbow Wow Day planned for February. We will also be celebrating Chinese New Year.

**Nursery Routine** the children who are going home at **11.45am need to be collected promptly** as the staff have to take the other children over to the dining room for their lunch so that they can return by 12 .30pm to start the afternoon session.



**Money for additional sessions and** dinner money should be handed in at the beginning of the week. If you are paying by cheque they should be on separate cheques both made payable to Derby City Council.

**'Activity' Money** Please can I remind you that 'activity' money is 75p per week. The amount for this half term up to February 18<sup>th</sup> is £5.25 and for the whole term it will be £10.50. Thank you to everyone who makes a contribution, we really appreciate it.

Can we remind you about the following –

## Illness

**Sick & diarrhoea** – children must stay off nursery/school for 48 hours after the last time they were sick or had diarrhoea

**Head lice** – please keep checking your child's hair on a regular basis and treat straight away. Please can you also treat all members of the family as well.

Please inform staff if your child has head lice so we can make other parents aware that they are around in the Unit.



**Clothes** Please, please, please can you mark children's clothes with their names especially coats, hats, gloves and scarves – lots of children have the same coat!!!!!!

**Please can you also check their clothes when they get home and if they are not your child's could you send them back to school.**



**Wellingtons**

Has your child a pair of Wellingtons in nursery? They are very useful on a wet, muddy day – we play out in all weathers. **Please put your child’s name on them with a permanent marker**



**Library Books** These are changed on a Monday morning or a Wednesday afternoon please make sure the book is in your child’s book bag on that day.



**Parental Help**

If you are interested in helping with activities in the Nursery, please speak to a member of the Nursery Staff.



**Wanted**

**Clothes** - Has anybody got any girls trousers and boy’s trousers that your child has outgrown we are desperately short (to use when children need changing)

**Scrap paper** - Does anyone have access to paper that we can use to draw & write on? We are urgently in need of some as the children enjoy these activities and get through a lot of paper very quickly.



**Toys going home** – if your child brings home toys in their pockets which do not belong to them could you please return them to a member of staff. We are rapidly losing a lot of our small toys and do not have the funds to keep on replacing them. It is very frustrating to play a game or do a jigsaw with pieces missing.



Thank you for your support  
Foundation Stage Unit

**Please Note**

- ✳ We have a recycling bin for batteries in the school front entrance. If you wish to recycle your batteries please use the bin provided.
- ✳ School meals are now being cooked on the premises.