

# Foundation Stage 2 Newsletter January 2012



**Happy New Year to you all**

**Welcome** to Miss Allwood who is joining the Foundation Stage Staff

**Thank You** to everyone who contributed to the CAFOD Christmas Card we raised £50.

So we will be sending one family a water pack (£33), a School Starter Packs (£7) and a football kit (£10) to children in the third world.

**Topic** - this half term we will be looking at 'Myself' and using our senses; we will be celebrating Chinese New Year and sharing some of our favourite stories. In RE we will be talking about different Celebrations, including those in Church and later on we will be talking about Thanksgiving and the importance of saying thank you to God and the people who help us.

**'Activity' Money** Please can I remind you that 'activity' money is £1 per week. The amount for this half term up to February 10<sup>th</sup> is £5 and for the whole term it will be £11. Thank you to everyone who makes a contribution, we really appreciate it.



**Letter & Sounds Books** These need to be returned to school in the book bags every day as we use them in class. Please can you practise the names of the letters and the sounds they make every day with your child. If you are unsure of how to help your child please speak to a member of staff.

**Reading books** These are changed weekly on a Monday and Friday, please let us know if your child is enjoying the books by writing comments in the green diary.

**Library Books** These are changed on a Wednesday please make sure the book is in your child's book bag on that day.



**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.

**Uniform** - Please, please, please can you mark all your children's clothes with their names. After every PE lesson we have various items of clothes floating around the rooms with no names on. **Coats** also need to have the child's name in – 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.**



**Jewellery**

Jewellery should not be worn for PE lessons which are on Monday & Wednesday for both classes. If ear rings are worn on these days, they should be taped up.

**Coats & Wellingtons**



As we play out in all weathers, children should have a coat in school every day due to the ever changing weather. Has your child a pair of Wellingtons in school? They are very useful on a wet, muddy day. **Please put your child's name on them with a permanent marker**



**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