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Alehousewells Nursery Newsletter

2022/2023

15th November 2022

Dear Parent/ Carer,

We are already on week three of our second term! We would like to welcome four new children to the nursery, Arisu, Evie, Emily and Rozali; we are sure you will enjoy your time at Alehousewells Nursery.

A reminder that parents/ carers **DO NOT park on the double/ Zig-zag yellow lines**. This is to ensure all children are kept safe when arriving/ departing the school/ nursery buildings; there is a school carpark next to Waterside Court at the rear of the school for parental use. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

A huge thank you to all who came to our sponsored Wheelie; thank you for taking the time, it was great to see the children dressed up and rising to the challenge of going around the loop of the school. We are delighted to say we raised **£390.50!** The money will be used by the nursery to enhance the children's learning experiences by providing resources for special occasions, baking, being out in our community or making our nursery environment a warm and welcoming space.

Clothing and Independence - with the weather changing, can you ensure your child has cosy clothes with them, we will endeavour to ensure hats and gloves go home with the right people, but can we ask you to name your child's clothing to ensure they come home safely.

In nursery, we encourage independence. Can you ensure your child has clothing on that is appropriate to promote independence, especially for toileting. Loose clothing, leggings/ joggers are ideal, not items with difficult fastenings/ buttons or all-in-one outfits such as dungarees/ play suits or trainers with laces.

Library helpers – we would like to start using the school library again, and we are looking for parents who would like to come in and support us in using our school library. We are thinking of having the session on a Wednesday 10.20 am – 10.40 am. However, we are flexible and can change the library times to suit any volunteers. Volunteers must be recruited as such and will need a PVG check before volunteering in the nursery/ school. We will pay for this; a form will need to be completed by yourself. If you feel interested in helping us with this, please speak to a staff member.

Christmas Gift it Forward – we will have our Christmas Gift it Forward trolley again this year. If you have any unwanted gifts or pre-loved items in good condition, we are collecting them for our gift-it-forward trolley. Items can be handed into the nursery before the 2nd December. The trolley will be placed in our Sharing Shed from the 5th December for you to take any items which you can use.



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The Christmas Jumper Swap – we are collecting any pre-loved Christmas jumpers for our Sharing Shed; please hand them into the nursery. The Christmas Jumpers will be available to take/ swap from the 5th December.

Cinderella School Panto – As you will have seen in the School Newsletter, the panto will be in school on Thursday 22nd of December. It is asked that £5.00 is paid as a contribution to the cost of the Panto. The nursery children who attend on a Thursday afternoon will be given the option to attend the panto. However, if your child is not in the nursery at that time, they are welcome to come in for the show. However, if this is not your child's session, you must also pay the £5.00. Please let a nursery staff member know if you will be taking your child down for the panto.

Infection and prevention control

We are heading into the season again where colds and illness rise, please do not put your child to nursery if they are unwell. Please let us know that your child will be off and the reason why. You can either text the **nursery mobile on 07881338207** or call the **nursery office on 01467 538746**. If we do not get a notification of why your child is absent, the school office will send a text to seek a reason for the absence.

Children who have been sick or had diarrhoea must remain off nursery for 48 hours after their last bout of sickness/ diarrhoea and 48 hours after they have had a normal bowel movement.

Antibiotics Update – Our medication and infection control policies and procedures have been updated. If your child is prescribed antibiotics, they **must stay off nursery for 48 hours** from starting their course of treatment as stated by the NHS and Aberdeenshire Council's Infection Control procedures.

If you have had to give your child medication such as Calpol in the morning, your child should not attend nursery.

Dates for your diary:

- **Nursery Closed** Thursday 17th and Friday 18th of November for staff training.
- Our next **Stay and Play** session will be held next **Wednesday, 23rd of November**: This will allow you to come into the nursery and enjoy some time exploring your child's learning environment.
If you wish to attend, please pop your name down on the sign-up sheet.
The sessions are at either 9 am – 10 am or 1 pm – 2 pm.
At 10 am you are welcome to take your child along to the School Anchor Fundraising Coffee morning, where you can enjoy a cuppa and cake.
- **23rd November** – Anchor Fundraising Coffee morning 9.30 am – 11.30 am in the school hall, £2 for adults and £1 for concessions.
- **29th November** – Parent council Meeting - see School Newsletter.
- **3rd December** – Alehousewells Christmas School Fayre – see school newsletter.
- **12th, 13th, and 14th December** – nursery lunch will be in the nursery due to school shows.



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Wednesday 21st December – Christmas Party Day.

All children are invited in for the Christmas Party. We are inviting those who are not normally in or usually start at 1 pm to join us at 11.30 am when we will be having a party lunch. Our special visitor will be arriving at 12.30 pm. Parents are welcome to come and join us in the nursery at 12.15 pm to see their child get their gift from Santa. Afterwards, we will have our Christmas sing-along, which will finish around 1 pm.

Can you let a member of staff know if your child will be attending the Christmas Party.

- **22nd December** – Nursery lunch in the nursery due to panto in the afternoon.
- **23rd December** – Last day of term.
- **9th January 2023** – Term 3 starts.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Regards

The Nursery Team

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