# Little Fishes @ St Peter's, Ash Newsletter Autumn 22

Welcome to the autumn term at Little Fishes. We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new families. Most of the children have settled now and are eager to come in each morning. If you have any questions, please speak to any of us, we will always make time to hear your queries. Thank you for your ongoing support from all the Little Fishes Staff.

### **Little Fishes Committee News**

We are looking for 2 parents to join our lovely committee 1. A fundraiser - This vital role includes organising fundraising events through the year such as sponsored events and raffles and reporting back on how much has been raised, contacting local companies for prize donations.

2. A secretary – required to come to meetings and minute the actions of the meeting, send out the agenda of upcoming meetings and be part of our trustees.

The committee meet half termly and it is quite an informal meeting. If you are interested and would like to know more or nominate yourself for a position please drop us an email at <a href="mailto:bigfish@littlefishes.me.uk">bigfish@littlefishes.me.uk</a>.

.<u>Lunch Sessions</u> - for those who attend lunch please can we politely remind parents that we operate a no nut policy (please check chocolate spread too). We also request that fruits like grapes, tomatoes and olives are cut in half lengthways to avoid choking

#### **Facebook**

If you are a Facebook user, please visit our page:-

www.facebook.com/LittleFishesAsh/ as details of all events are posted and updated regularly

#### **Outdoors** -

We go outside every day -Now that the weather is getting chillier please make sure a coat is supplied.

Children also need to have a spare set of clothes in their bags in case of any accidents. Please can you make sure a bag is left here for the whole term, especially if they are in nappies.

Please ensure all items are named, especially sweatshirts, boots, hats, mittens, scarves and coats. We have already had a lot of 'lost' jumpers, because they are not named we cannot put them back in trays.

#### The Car Park!!

Please can we remind parents that the area outside the main doors is a child safety zone at the end of the session. Please do not park beyond the end of the fence. The disabled space should be left empty for those who need it and your speed should be of a crawling pace. Whilst every child should be supervised within the carpark there have been some close encounters lately with speeding drivers rushing to park as close to the door as possible.

Little Fishes Annual General Meeting
Please come and join us on Monday
7th November at 8pm for our AGM.
This gives you a chance to find out
more about Little Fishes, how things
run and what has happened over the
past year. It is usually no more than 1
hr long. There is a chance to have a
cuppa and a biscuit afterwards and
chat to other parents and staff.

## **Fundraising**

If anyone works for a company who is able to match fund our fundraising money please let Jackie or Natalie know

#### Fundraising Raffle Events -

We are going to be organising a Christmas Hamper Raffle. Tickets will go on sale at the end of November. We will be holding dress up days the beg of December and asking for donations suitable to go into a Christmas Hamper in exchange. More details to come after half term.

We are also hosting a bottle and chocolate tombola at the St Peter's Christmas fayre, please bring in any unwanted bottles or chocolate items between now and 2<sup>nd</sup> December, any items can be placed in the box that will be out each morning. Thank you.

# **Dates for your diary**

Tuesday 18th Oct – school photographer in.

22nd Oct - 30th October - closed for half term holidays

Monday 7th November - AGM 8PM

Sat 3rd Dec - St Peters Xmas fayre

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity service in church – parents will be invited (more details to follow -no lunch session this day)

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Xmas Party – All preschoolers invited – no lunch session, please note there will be a shorter session times tbc 30th Dec – Anyone applying for 30 hour funding needs to do so by today.

Thursday 5th Jan - spring term begins.