

# Bayonne Nursery Autumn Newsletter No: 2



## This Half Terms Topic

We were lucky enough to have a group of Musicians come to the nursery and play a variety of instruments. These included Recorders, Flute, Bassoon and a Keyboard to name but a few. The children were so excited by the performance that we decided to base this term's topic on musical instruments. We will be looking at bands and Symphony Orchestras as well as listening to different types of music. We will also be looking at particular stories that lend themselves beautifully to music including The Bear Hunt. Peace at Last and Puff the Magic Dragon. The children will be encouraged to create their own soundscapes to go with these stories. This topic will run up until Christmas, so we will be including Christmas songs and introducing the "The Nutcracker" Ballet. If there are any parents out there that play an instrument we would love you to come in and share it with the children. Don't be shy! Please let a member of staff know if you are interested.

This half term we welcome Jemma Hunt to the Bayonne team. Jemma has joined us as Forest School Coordinator, please introduce yourselves to her.



## Reception Class

Please remember the closing date for applications to primary school reception class is the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Please speak to Louise or Lesley if you have any queries regarding your application.

## Children In Need

We will be raising money for Children in Need on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> November. Staff and children can come to school in their pyjamas for a donation of £1. Parents are also welcome to stay for breakfast.



## Sing-a-Long sessions

Sing-a-long sessions take place every other Thursday at 2.40pm. All parents/carers and siblings welcome. The dates for this half term are

- 17th November
- 1st December
- 15th December – Christmas Songs to parents

## Lyric Theatre Trip

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December the nursery is going on an outing to the Lyric Theatre in Hammersmith to see Raymond Briggs 'Father Christmas'. Letters to follow.



## Wizard Loons Jack & The Beanstalk – 14<sup>th</sup> December followed by Christmas Party-children only.

The fantastic Frank is returning to perform "Wizard Loons Jack & The Beanstalk" to the children. Frank has great skill in capturing the children's imagination and taking them on a magical adventure. The children's Christmas Party will follow.

## Prevent Leaflet

"The government requires us to be aware of the Prevent Strategy, that addresses children and families who may be adversely influenced by religious or other groups.

In the next few weeks we will send out a leaflet that will explain our role more fully. In the meantime please see Pat if you have any concerns."

## Christmas Hamper Raffle

Please bring something in for our Christmas hampers, if each family provides one or two nice things it soon fills up. Everything from bottles of wine to tins of soup, Jams & chocolates will be welcome. A few seasonal delicacies will make it really special. A box for you to place your donations in will be in the reception area from the week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> November. We will display the finished hampers and sell raffle tickets from early December. The draw for the hamper will be after the **Christmas Songs on 15<sup>th</sup> December.**



### **Donations of ballet clothes, shoes etc.....**

If you have any items of ballet clothing or ballet shoes that you no longer need they would be gratefully received in the nursery dressing up corner. Thank you

### **Labelling your child's clothing**

Could we ask all parents to label their children's clothing in particular coats, hats, scarfs and gloves. As you can appreciate it can be very difficult to keep track of 60 coats, 60 hats, 60 scarfs and 120 gloves!! Could you also ensure your child has spare socks in their bag.

### **Regular Reminders:**

#### **Fruit for snack:**

There is a box on the reception desk to receive donations of fruit and vegetables.



#### **Tissues**

Please donate a box of tissues for use in the classrooms



#### **Voluntary Fund:**

Please remember to bring in your voluntary contribution of £1 on Monday mornings. This goes towards cooking ingredients, theatre groups, visits, etc



#### **Work Trays:**

Please regularly check your child's work tray for their work to take home.

#### **Spare clothes:**

Please check daily that your child has spare clothes in their bag and please return any that you may have at home that belong to the nursery.

#### **Toys:**

Please do not bring toys in from home to nursery, it often causes upset if something gets lost or broken.

**Please do not use your mobile devices on the school premises, this is school policy and is in line with regulations regarding safeguarding of children.**



## **Dates for the Diary**



### **November**

16<sup>th</sup> November – Road Safety Sessions

18<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need. Children & Staff to wear Pyjamas to school for a small donation. Parents are also welcome to stay for breakfast.

### **December**

6<sup>th</sup> December – Lyric Theatre trip to see Raymond Briggs 'Father Christmas'. Letter to follow

13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch

14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Show "Wizard Loons Jack & The Beanstalk" followed by Christmas party

15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Songs to Parents with mince pies and mulled fruit juice. Everyone welcome

16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day charity

16<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day – Nursery closes at 12.45pm – **No crèche available on the last day.**

### **Donations of Wellington Boots**

The children will be using wellington boots as plant pots to decorate the nursery grounds. Do you have any unwanted wellies that you could donate?



Any size, colour or patterns are welcome. Please give any wellies to your child's keyworker.

We would like to say thank you to Aurora, mother of Victoria for arranging for Natalie and her students to come in to nursery and play their instruments to the children and staff. We all thoroughly enjoyed it and the children have been inspired to keep playing.



**School closes at 12.45 on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

**No Creche available on this day**

**Children return to school on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

You can find a copy of this newsletter and lots of other information including school term dates on our Federation website [www.bjfed.lbhf.sch.uk](http://www.bjfed.lbhf.sch.uk) Paper copies are also available at reception.