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## October 2024 Newsletter

A belated welcome back to you all! As this is our first newsletter of the year, I would also like to welcome all our new children and their families!

### **New Committee for 24/25**

Thank you to those who attended the AGM this year. We now have the committee in place for this year with 2 new additions

**Lorna Prickett Treacy** – Chair / H&S

**Hayley Potter** – Vice Chair

**Sarah Gliddon** – Secretary / Policies

**Milly Clifford** - Treasurer

**Stacey Bellamy** – Safeguarding

**Becky Garrard**

**Megan Brooking**

**Rebecca Hutton**

If you ever have any questions about anything the committee do or the fundraisers we're organising please just ask! We will always welcome new members as well – many hands make light work!

### **Halloween / Fancy Dress Disco – October 31<sup>st</sup>**

This year we are planning a Halloween fancy dress disco for the children in the Parish Hall.

Early Years & KS1 – 6pm - 7pm

KS2 – 7.30pm – 9pm

There will be prizes each session for fancy dress for those who wish to dress up (Doesn't have to be Halloween themed)

A little differently to our summer discos, we will have a selection of activities included in the entry price of £3 per child. We will also have our usual tuck shop so please bring some extra pennies for spending! We are requesting that spaces are booked via a committee member so that we can ensure we have the right amount of resources for our activities! Just grab any of the committee members to put your child's name on the list please.

## **Christmas Week**

Party on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 1pm – we have booked a Pop Up Play Village session and we're hoping for a very jolly visitor!

We normally ask that parents help contribute to the party food, either through food or a small cash donation – this will be planned closer to the time so please keep an eye out for a list near the signing in register in December.

Nativity – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2pm. You are invited to come and watch our nativity, it would be lovely to see lots of you there!

If either of these are not your normal day you are welcome to bring your scallywag along but you must remain with them so that we can maintain our ratios for the children we have in our care.

There will be a Scallywags post box available in December if your children would like to "post" cards to their friends.

## **Stay & Play Session – Wednesdays 9.30 - 11.30am**

A reminder

that Stay and Play now runs on Friday mornings for under 5's.

A great chance for parents / guardians to bring along your little ones, get to know the setting and the staff and have lots of fun with snack time included!

Cost is £2 per child to cover overheads and adults must attend the session. This is open to all under 5's including our Scallywags if it is not their normal day.

## **Facebook**

For those of you that use Facebook, please do follow our public page 'Scallywags Pre School Halwill' for up-to-date info on events and things going on.

We also have a closed group for parents and staff. Whilst important information will be communicated to you through phone, email, text, or letter we do share additional info on this group to keep you all up to date – as the group is a private group please speak to Lorraine, Lorna or Pennie to get access.

## **Fundraising**

As you know

we rely on fundraising to keep us going financially and we are always grateful for any support our families can give us.

Don't forget you can also support us every time you shop online with [easyfundraising.co.uk](http://easyfundraising.co.uk). Simply set up an account – choose us as your cause and then visit hundreds of your favourite websites, via the easy fundraising app and we will get an extra cashback donation with no extra cost to you! As online shopping peaks in the run up to Christmas we would love for as much support as possible!

## **Bags2school**

Thank you to those who donated bags of unwanted clothes – we collected over 200kg of items!

## **Christmas Gift Fair – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November – 6.30pm – 8.30pm**

The annual Christmas Fair is back and again we are the beneficiary for all funds raised. There will be stallholders with something for everyone and we'd love to see as many of you as possible come and support us! Refreshments, cakes and raffle will be running as usual!

We would be very grateful if you can donate to the raffle, cook or buy us some delicious cakes (we will need the ingredients list!) or help on the night. We also have a few remaining tables (£8 plus raffle donation) available so if you or anyone you know have a small business / craft business please contact Lorna ([chair.scallywags@outlook.com](mailto:chair.scallywags@outlook.com)) to book in – thank you!

Next year we will be looking forward to bringing back Valentines Bingo, Big Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt & BBQ Bingo, as well as some new events including a Ploughman's Picnic & Walk, Cinema Nights & Indoor Car Boot! – please keep an eye out for dates!

### **Thank-you**

Lorna, Staff & The Committee

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