



November Newsletter, 2019

Dear Families,

Firstly a huge 'Thank You' to everyone who supported us with many different donations recently. We had a great amount of fruit donated which will keep us going for the week. Please don't forget us next week.

We made over £120 on the book sale, which is going to funds towards new books we are hoping to purchase next term. Thank You.

Many of you have supported the wishing well and donation tree. Please keep an eye on this for us.

Children In Need also made over £180.

Thank you all so much for your generosity.

Best Wishes

Lisa Fern

Headteacher

Office work- We have decided not to appoint into the administrator vacancy for the time being. With this in mind, please be aware that Nicky and Aga are now on their own a couple of days a week and capacity has reduced in the office. Please be patient with us while we get into a new groove! I suggest that any non urgent contact is done via the office email; office@grandpontnurseryschool.co.uk and if you call and the phone goes on to the answer machine, please leave a message for us. Thank you for your patience.

Car Parking- Can I please remind parents that the car park is for staff only in the mornings and during the day. Families are welcome to park in the car park after 4.00pm when collecting in the evenings. This is to ensure that the front of nursery is a safe place to come and go from.

Parking spaces on the road outside are free for 2 hours, so do use these at drop off time in the mornings

Parent meetings (TLCs)- Parents of children in the nursery school will be having or will have already had the opportunity to chat to their child's key person over the next few weeks. Please take this opportunity to discover more about how your child is progressing with their learning and development.

Christmas Fair- A huge 'thank you' to a small group of parents who have been working hard to get the Christmas fair organised for the 30th November. The fair will take place in the Nursery car park and entrance halls and will consist of fun stalls, food to eat, games, raffle and much more.

We will be sending out another letter to you by the end of this week, with raffle tickets and some suggestions on how you can help.

This is our greatest fundraiser of the year and last year we raised just under £2000, so it would be wonderful to do better this year. We are using this money towards updating our library collection as well as improvements to the nursery garden areas. Both of these projects are reliant on securing money through fundraising.



End of term arrangements-We break up on Thursday 19th December in the nursery school and at 1.00pm on Tuesday 24th December for Blossom Room and Holiday club.

The nursery school children will be performing **Christmas Songs at 1.00pm** on the 19th December to their families. We would like to invite all of our morning children to stay for lunch on this day and parents will be able to take children home after the singing. However, if you require childcare due to work commitments after 1.00pm then we will be open as usual for the remainder of the day. We will ask the morning children to contribute a voluntary donation of £2 for the lunch.



Save the date!- Tuesday 11th February 2020-Sleep Talk.

Dimitri Gavriloff is a Clinical Psychologist specialising in paediatric sleep and also one of our Dad's at Grandpont. Dimitri has very kindly offered to hold a talk and discussion with families on the basics of sleep and sleep/wake regulation for those interested to attend on this date. This will be an evening session. Further details to follow soon, but an opportunity not to miss if you have young children!



South Oxford Family Room (SOFR)

In the Light Garden - Our family event with light and sensory trail at SOFR was a huge success last weekend. Over 70 families attended this event. Thank you for your support and to Yan for all the hard work.