

## Seamer Pre-school



### CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS 2017

Once again this year only the older children in Pre-school will participate in our Christmas show.

Our older children are usually in a much better place developmentally to cope with the stresses and strains of participating in a show. They will also be better placed to concentrate and perform without the distractions the younger children inevitably create.

Our younger children will of course get their time to shine in future years when they are better able to cope.

#### Children born between 1.09.13 and 31.8.14 only

'Play day' will be Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. The performance will start as in other years at 11am and will last no more than 30 minutes.

Costume arrangements.....A slip detailing what character your child will be in our play will be sent out very soon.

Refreshments will be available following the performance along with the drawing of our Christmas raffle.

Parents whose children who do not normally attend on play day will be asked to bring them to Pre-school for 10am on the day of the performance. There will be no charge levied for their attendance.

Children who ordinarily attend from 8am or 9am should be brought as normal to Pre-school.

Children attending morning sessions only can be taken home following their performance otherwise will remain at Pre-school until their normal finishing time.

Older children who would normally attend the afternoon session should be brought to Pre-school for 10am on the day of the performance. (There will be no extra charge for attendance and they can be taken home following their performance.)

Pre-school will remain open as normal for all our other children.

Please let me know if you do not want your child to take part in our Christmas show.

If you have a problem with any of the above or just need clarification please feel free to speak to myself or Paula.

The Christmas play is usually filmed and copies of the DVD will be available on Wednesday. A special permission slip is included with this letter.

I am often asked about who can come and see the children's performance. The simple answer is...bring whoever would like to see the children perform. There is no limit as to who can attend within reason...this is a special time for our youngsters, one to remember and treasure.

Normal charges will be levied where appropriate.

**Pre-school's last day of normal opening will be Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. However we will be holding our Christmas parties on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December....please find details below.**



### **CHRISTMAS PARTY ARRANGEMENTS - WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

There will be two parties again this year. One in the morning, for the children whose birthdays fall after 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014. And one in the afternoon for those children whose birthdays fall between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014

The morning fun for the little ones will begin at 11am.....children must be collected at 1pm please.

The afternoon fun for the older children will begin at 2pm.....children must be collected at 4pm  
All parents will be charged £8 on the day of the parties....this is to offset some of the cost of the children's party entertainment and food for the party. It also helps towards the presents the children receive from Santa.

### **SANTA'S VISIT TO PRE-SCHOOL**



Santa will be taking up his place in our grotto this year on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. He will be in attendance from 11 o'clock for the younger children to visit and from 2pm for the older children.

Staff work extremely hard to deck out the grotto in order to make the experience a magical one for all the children.

It is always nice for parents to share the experience of a visit to Santa and to support the children who may be a little timid. Our Santa has had years of experience, is DBS checked and

has a lovely way with the children. Each child will receive a present from Santa (as long as they've been good of course!!). Visits to see Santa are always popular and I'm in no doubt that you will need a degree of patience on the day. (Something I'm sure that will be in short supply!!! but rest assured that Santa will not leave until all the children have been seen.)

### **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**



Every Christmas we have a raffle. Prizes consist of food hampers, wine, books and many other prizes.

To make up the hampers you are invited to provide one of the items listed on a poster (it will be up soon in Pre-school).

Committee has asked that you look out for the poster which will be up in Pre-school on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November and has asked if you could indicate which item you can provide by adding your child's name alongside one of the items...one item per child please. All items need to be brought to Pre-school by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

### **PARENTAL CONSENT REGARDING THE FILMING OF THE CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS 2016**

Child's name:

I give / do not give permission for my child to be filmed.

Parent's name:

Please print

Date

I would like to pre- order a copy of the DVD of the Christmas play.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY - WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

Name of child:

Will your child be attending the Christmas party?                      YES / NO

If Yes - you must book a time slot to see Santa in advance (or be prepared to wait in a queue).

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