

## The School House Newsletter January to February



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We hope you've all had a fabulous Christmas and wish you all a very Happy New Year for 2018.

A big Fisherfield WELCOME also, to all the families who are joining us this year. If there is anything you are concerned about please ask the team for help, we are here to help your child settle in and to put your minds at rest.

LITTLE LAMBS – 'Story Time' The Little Lambs have been exploring their favourite stories and our parents kindly brought in their child's favourite books from home! One of the stories we had was "The Three Little Pigs." We began by exploring the different textures of the building materials through sensory play. We then extended this and took the children on a learning journey by using these building materials alongside our junk modelling to create the houses.



We had so much fun re-telling the story as we created our masterpieces and the children 'helped' the wolf to "huff & puff & blow your house down!" The children's work is displayed on our topic board for you to see!

#### **DUCKLINGS 'Baby Clinic'**



The Ducklings recent topic has been Families and Babies. This came from some of the children receiving baby dolls as Christmas presents from their families. Parents have been sending in pictures of the children as babies and this naturally led onto the formation of a Baby Clinic role play area, using resources donated from our local Surestart centre.

The children have really enjoyed accessing this role play and have been discussing how they have changed as they have grown older. In the Baby Clinic there has been rich discussion about what babies need and how to look after them. They have enjoyed taking on the role of 'care giver', giving

out pretend medicines & having a go at putting nappies on the dolls.

#### **FARMERS 'Get Physical'**

Hannah has recently been on some training about the importance of physical play in young children. It is recommended children who can walk have at least 3 hours of physical play a day. As a result of this training the Farmers team have implemented weekly P.E sessions for the children.



They are encouraged to undress and redress themselves into their P.E kits, which develops their independence and self-help skills and also links to school readiness. The children really enjoyed the workout and learnt all about the effect exercise has on their bodies. They were so surprised to feel their hearts beating so fast after a few minutes exercise!

#### **NEW! - Fisherfield Parent Committee!**

We really value your opinions & feedback, and to ensure that the nursery meets your needs and that you can have your say in our curriculum, we will be setting up a Parent's Committee. This will involve bi-monthly meetings where YOU get to have a say in what we do. We would love to have a wide variety of parents from all the rooms, so if this is something you are interested in then please speak to Sabrina.

Our Contact Details are as follows:-



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<u>OUR VISION FOR 2018 -</u> As we start 2018, the staff team have been reflecting on 'our vision' for this New Year. We decided on the following statement:

### "To provide outstanding care and teaching for EVERY child."

See our vision board (in corridor, between the Lambs and Farmers rooms) to see exactly HOW we will reach this goal!

Question of the Month – "Would you like support with managing your child's behaviour?"

Thank you to the parents who have already responded to our Question of the Month. Please see below for confirmed date and time of our behaviour management workshop. Next month's question is – "Do you know what it means to be 'School-Ready'?"

### **Dates for your Diary**

Ongoing from Jan PE Sessions with Hannah

Wed 31<sup>st</sup> Jan (4:30-5:00pm) Behaviour Management Workshop

Please see Sabrina or Hannah if you'd like to book in

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb Valentine's Day

Monday 19th Feb Chinese New Year Party - Dress for a party!

12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb HALF TERM

**1**<sup>st</sup> March Fisherfield @ the School House turns 2! More info coming soon!



Did you know that Running Wild, our exclusive children's party centre, located on the top floor at Fisherfield in Middleton, is now on Facebook?

Search 'Running Wild Parties' and like the page to keep up to date with events and news. If you're interested in booking your child's Private Party at Running Wild, please go to

www.runningwildparties.co.uk - or call Paula on 0161 653 1996

For all current info/updates www.fisherfieldchildcare.co.uk

Bye for now

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