



# Fledglings Nursery

## Ash, Cartwright & Kelsey CEP School

### \*Newsletter for Term 2\*

28th October 2017

Dear Parents & Carers,

#### \*Welcome back to Fledglings\*

We would like to welcome all our children and their families back to another exciting term at Fledglings; filled with learning opportunities and new challenges. A reminder that your child has their own file for letters in the Fledglings foyer, please check this regularly. We also have a new white board by the outside door for us to share information with you - this will be updated regularly.

#### \*Staff and Keyworkers\*

**Mrs Marsh** is the teacher in Fledglings. Our wonderful, hardworking team of Fledglings' staff this term are **Julia, Barbara and Sarah**. At Fledglings, all children have a **keyworker** assigned to them who particularly plans, assesses and works with them to give each child the most individualised learning opportunities possible. The Key Person letter was sent out last term - if you are unsure of your child's key person please ask.

#### \*This Term's Learning Themes\*

This term our playing and learning activities will focus around the themes of '**Number, shape and colour**' and '**Christmas**'. We will continue to follow the children's interests, as well as working on adult planned projects together. As always, we will be outside everyday and will continue with our daily visits to the school playground taking part in **bike groups (afternoons only- if your child attends the afternoon session they are welcome to bring their scooter or bike - please leave outside the Fledglings foyer), large playground activities, walks, field play and using the adventure playgrounds**, visits to the school **Nature Area** and of course plenty of other opportunities to be outside exercising and exploring the 'Great Outdoors'!

#### \*Pantomime\*

The children who attend Fledglings that will be **school starters in September 2018** have been given the opportunity to attend the Margate Pantomime - The Wizard of Oz with the school. Please see separate letter for details and send back reply slip asap. I took the children last year and they loved it! My daughter is dancing in the cast on this date which makes it even more exciting for me!

#### \*EYFS Nativity\*

The EYFS (Fledglings and Wrens) nativity will take place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 10 am - more details to follow.

#### \*Our school values\*

In Fledglings, we follow the same school values as the school and these are displayed on the glass window by the office in the classroom. They are **FRIENDSHIP, COMMUNITY, PERSEVERANCE, HAPPINESS, FORGIVENESS AND CREATIVITY**. We use these values in our teaching and interactions with the children.

#### \*'Wow' moments\*

We would love to know all about the learning your child experiences at home. On the desk, by the children's pegs there are some cardboard stars - please feel free to take some home or write them in the setting, when your child has had a 'wow' moment - we will display these on the 'wow' board and then move the comments into to your child's learning journey book.

#### \* Autumn and the coming of Winter \*

As the weather turns colder please ensure your child has a jumper, coat, gloves and scarf with them. The doors in the setting are always open (unless there is a torrential down pour!) so the children will be able to access the garden at all time whatever the weather.

#### \*Nappies/Spare Clothes\*

Please can we ask that all parents continue to ensure (as far as they are able to) that their child is wearing a clean, dry nappy or pull up when they arrive for their session. We will then check each child's nappy at a couple of different times during the morning or afternoon. If the nappy is not soiled or too wet we will leave it. If it is very wet or soiled we will

change it. Please supply your **own nappies and wipes** and send your child to nursery with a **set of spare clothes**, including socks, in case of any accidents. Please can these be **clearly named**. Thank you.

#### **\*Jewellery\***

Please remember no jewellery is to be worn by children in the setting, in line for the school policy.

#### **\*Lunchtime Reminders\***

If your child stays at Nursery for our Lunchtime session, can we please ask that you clearly **NAME their lunchbox** and any extra containers/drinks bottles that you send in so that we can be sure to give out the correct lunches and return them to you in one piece as well. Also, can we ask that if you send your child with grapes or cherries or any fruit around that size that you please cut it up at home beforehand to prevent a choking hazard for your child. Remember if you would like to order your child a school dinner they are **£2.30** and you need to tell us in the morning so we can order straight from the kitchen. Thank you.

#### **\*End of the Day...\***

At the end of the day a member of Fledglings staff will be at the door to see children out from **3.15-3.30pm**. This is so that we link in with school times and that parents of school children are not hanging around at the end of the day waiting to collect children. Please try to ensure you are prompt to collect your child as we have our 'After School Club' waiting to use the room from 3.30pm. This time of the day can be hectic so if possible, please could older siblings wait in the foyer just before the gate to ensure we hand the children over safely. Many thanks for your cooperation in this.

#### **\*School Website\***

Please note that the school website has been updated. The website address is [www.ashckschool.org](http://www.ashckschool.org)

#### **\*Family photo\***

We have a display in the setting of each child with their family. If you haven't already done so, please can you send in a photo of your child with their family, so I can display it - thank you.

#### **\*Baking\***

We regularly cook in Fledglings. We are asking for a voluntary donation of £2 a term per child to help us purchase all the ingredients that we need - please put the donation into an envelope and hand to me at registration time - many thanks!

#### **\*Sponsor money\***

Thank you to all the children who took part in the sponsored walk - we had such a great time and thank you for the sponsorship money you have sent in. We hope to go shopping asap for lots of 'wheels' so please could any sponsor money not yet handed in, be sent in.

#### **\*Finally, \***

Many thanks for taking the time to read this information; we really do appreciate your comments and feedback so please feel free to see any of the Fledglings team if you have a question.

We look forward to another busy, glittery, fun-filled term ahead of us!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Marsh and all the staff at Fledglings

#### **Key Dates:**

First day of Term 2 - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Stay and play - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - **if you haven't signed up yet there are still spaces!**

TAG Day and Crazy Hair! £1.00 minimum donation per child - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (Toffee apples available for sale after school.)

Open sessions for new children - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 9.30 till 11.30 and Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 9.30 till 11.30 **please inform friends/family that we have open mornings for new children aged 2 upwards**

School Disco (**School starters September 2018 only**) - Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November pm after school

Children in Need - Spotty Clothes Day £1.00 minimum donation per child for Children in Need - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Teaching Phonics talk 2.30pm - Mrs Crascall - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Christmas Jumper TAG Day! £1.00 minimum donation per child - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Christmas Gift Day - PTFA - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December - more details to follow

School Christmas fair - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Children having school dinner in Fledglings - Christmas dinner day - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

EYFS Nativity - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017 10am - **more details to follow**

Pantomime (**School starters September 2018 only**) - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017 - see separate letter

Last day of Term 2 - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Development day - Fledglings closed - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018

First day of term - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018

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