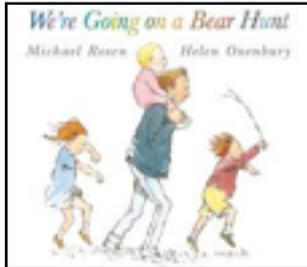


# NEWSLETTER

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## Happy New Year!

*Welcome back to all our families following the Christmas break - and "Hello!" to our new families*



This term, the theme for the Year 1 children will be one of our favourite books "We're Going on a Bear Hunt", by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury.

The Year 2 children will be using 'Space' as their theme.

There will be activities based on these themes involving all seven of the areas of learning: Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Communication and Language; Physical Development; Literacy;

Mathematics; Understanding the World; and Expressive Arts and Design.

Care is taken to plan for each child individually, and it is extremely helpful if parents/carers let us know of any new interests or skills that the children have developed over the break, as these will be used to inform our planning.

If you would like to see the planning in more detail, it is displayed on the parent information board, just inside the main hall.

### Diaries

The diaries provided by Preschool are an invaluable tool for parents/carers to communicate with Preschool and vice versa. Would you please ensure that your child's diary is placed in the box by the entrance on their first session of the week, and we will make sure that they are sent home at the end of their last session of the week.

If diaries are lost at home, we ask for 50p towards a replacement. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

### Staff Changes

After 30+ years of working with children, and leading Preschool to their second consecutive **OUTSTANDING** Ofsted inspection, Janet Toner has retired as Preschool Manager and we wish her every happiness for the future.

Barbara Knowles has taken over the role as Manager and Ciara Toner will be Deputy Manager. We hope all our families will join us in wishing them both well in their new posts.

### Committee Meeting

The next Preschool Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 14 January at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Please come along and find out more about your child's Preschool.

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### It's Winter!

The children will be invited to play outside *every day, whatever the weather*, so please ensure that your child is suitably dressed for the winter. It would be very helpful (and reduce upset) if your child's clothing is clearly named. Thank you.



### Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations are an excellent opportunity for you as parents/carers to discuss your child's progress in detail and celebrate any milestones they may have reached.

The consultations will be on week commencing 18th January and appointment forms will be on display in Preschool.

We look forward to seeing you.



### E-mails

Most of our letters to parents/carers are sent by email, as the majority of people find this the most effective form of communication. Would you please ensure that you keep us informed of any changes to your email address. Preschool's email address is:

[admin@cullingworthpreschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@cullingworthpreschool.org.uk)

If you do not have access to an email account and would prefer to receive a paper copy of letters, please let a member of staff know.

### Snack

May we politely remind all our families that we request a 50p donation per family, per week towards our healthy snack, which usually consists of fresh fruit and may include a selection of other healthy foods eg porridge, pasta, cereals or toast. Thank you