

Little Cherries Newsletter

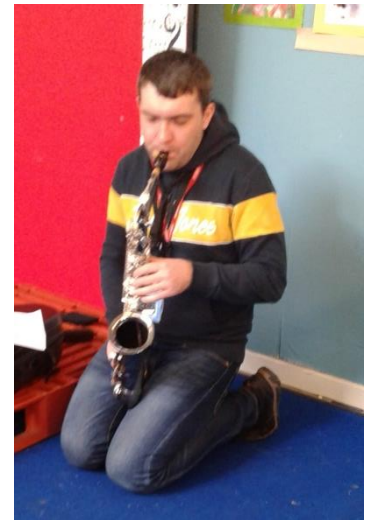
Friday 8th February 2019

Dear Parent /Carers,

As part of our music theme children have been enjoying a range of different instruments and using them in their role play on the 'stage'. They have been making their own instruments, listening to different types of music and learning some new songs.



Thank you to



...Sergay (Sasha's daddy) for showing us his talent in playing the saxophone. Some of the children enjoyed trying to produce a sound when blowing through the mouthpiece.

.....Dave (Hattie's daddy) for bringing in his Kajon, a box-shaped percussion instrument and his voice recording software. Recording the children's voices Dave was able to speed up the recording to make them sound like Chipmunks, slow it down to give deep tones or an echo effect.



APPLYING FOR A PLACE FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

Letters are now going out regarding your child's place at Little Cherries from September 2019. As many of our children are leaving to go to primary school and children already attending the group have priority for places, your child will automatically be offered up to 5 sessions a week (totalling 15 hours). Please look out for this letter and return by Friday 15th March 2019.

PARENTS EVENING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

On Thursday 7th March we are holding an evening event where prospective new parents can come and find out more about us and meet and talk with staff. Do you know of anyone who has a child who is due to start pre-school from September 2019 (Children born between 01/09/15 & 31/08/17). If you do, please pass this message on and let them know that more information can be found on our website.



On Thursday 14th February you are invited to come and spend some time with your child in the group, reading stories and joining in with games and activities. This will take place from 9-11am during the morning session and 1 - 2.45pm during the afternoon session. If you would like to attend, and to allow us to

prepare for your visit, please inform us by noon on Monday 11th February.

For those children who do not attend on this day, please speak to us to arrange another time.



UNWANTED GIFTS NEEDED FOR MOTHERS DAY FUNDRAISING

EVENT: In preparation for our Mothers Day fundraising event we are asking for your donations of duplicated or unwanted birthday / Christmas presents. We are looking for toiletries, perfumes, cosmetics, candles, jewellery, scarves, etc. Thank you in anticipation.

Policies Update

Our policies and procedures form the basis of our practice and enable staff and parents to understand their rights and responsibilities. We regularly review them to ensure they are up to date with good practice and current legislation. The recent reviewed policies are:

- Health & Safety General Standards
- Maintaining Childrens Safety and Security on Premises
- No Smoking Policy
- Risk Assessment
- Settling in and Key Person Policy

All policies and procedures can be found on our website.

Diary Dates:

Stay and Play: Thursday 14th February

Half Term: Monday 18th -22nd February 2019 - **CLOSED**

Staff Training Day - Monday 25th February - **CLOSED**

Return to Preschool-Tuesday 26th February

Parents Evening for Prospective new Parents: Thursday 7th March

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Anita Yates

Manager