

Alban Pre School

January 2024 Newsletter

Children In Need

Thank you to everyone that donated to this. **We raised an amazing £163!**

Welcome back and a Happy New Year

I would like to say a big welcome back to our children and their families and welcome to Alban preschool all the children that have joined us this Term.

A huge thank you for all the wonderful gifts, cards and vouchers that all our staff received.

- This term the under 3's will be focussing on traditional stories and nursery rhymes focussing on listening, understanding and speaking.
- The over 3's are learning about the solar system, planets and the world around us.
- There will be a focus on phonics, subitising, numbers and size. This will include the world around us.

Toys From Home

Could I please ask that children leave their toys from home at home. We have a show and tell on a Thursday. If your child would like to show something special then please bring it in on Thursdays.

Spring Term Dates 2023/24

Mon 8th Jan - 28th Feb

Half Term: 12th Feb - 16th Feb

Mon 19th Feb - Thu 28th March

Easter Weekend: Fri 29th March - 1st April

Parents Coffee Morning

Our termly coffee morning will be held on Tuesday 30th January from 9.30am to 11am.

This will take place in the lounge. Parents coffee morning and updates are a great opportunity to meet other parents and some of the staff. The morning is filled with information on projects we are working on and ideas for progression.

We will be also holding another parents workshop on speech and language development.

This is held by a speech therapist from the NHS. The date for the workshop is on **Wednesday 24th January at 10am**. This last around 30-45 minutes and is held in the nursery. Please let Sharon or Val know if you are interested.

Funding

If your child turns 3 before March 31st, you will be entitled to FEE3/4 funding after the Easter break.

Every 3 and 4 year old is entitled to 15 universal hours. This will be claimed for your child by the nursery.

If you think you may be entitled to the 30 hours funding, you will need to go to the Government funding website and make an application online. You will be given a decision straight away. If you are accepted for the 30 hours, you will be given a code. I will need this code in order for me to claim the funding on behalf of your child.

If you have any questions around funding, do not hesitate to speak to Sharon.