

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back after a very quick summer. We would like to welcome our new Tigers.

The summer holiday club was a great success with 53 children using it for 12 days over 4 weeks. All of the teachers took their turn to work, and we had support from Emma; Alice, who did a drama and singing workshop and George who helped us to build some amazing structures as well as playing football all day. We also had 2 visits from Leicester City in the Community who did both Football and a Lego challenge. We will be

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doing the same next year and will be sending the dates out very soon. We will also be open on the 19^{th} to 21^{st} of December. School is open on the Monday so ASC will run as usual. The Tuesday and Wednesday will be Holiday Club so we will be open from 8am to 4pm at the cost of £5.15 per hour. Please email your requirements.

We have already had lots of fun since our return, especially with cardboard boxes. We have also done some baking. If your child has a favourite board game or activity that we could purchase, please let us know.

Our ASC menu is available on the web site, and we are trying to be flexible when children specifically don't like certain food.

We do have plenty of vacancies on Monday evenings so can take children on an ad hoc basis if you have an appointment or will be later home. Just ring on the day.

2023 is our 50th year so we will be holding lots of exciting events throughout academic year.

Our first event is our Autumn Activity morning which is on Saturday 5th November from 11am to 1pm. The children get to make a number of crafts and there is a tombola, raffle, cakes and refreshments and plated lunches. Flyers to follow soon.

Our Bags2School collection is on Monday 14th November - they will take clothing, shoes, bags, bedding (not quilts or pillows). All items can be brought before 9am on the day and can be in any bin liner. We are paid according to weight of the items but mainly it's a great opportunity for a clear out before Christmas.

Our Christmas Quiz is on Tuesday 6th December at 7.30pm - this is an adults' only event and all friends and family members are welcome. Flyers to follow.

As users of the village hall, we have to host 6 Whist Drives each year. There is a group of people who play Whist (a card game) every Friday night and as a group we send 2 people to make refreshments. We have to provide 7 prizes, but we are able to keep any profit after the village hall rent has been paid. We usually make between £40 and £60.

Our first Whist Drive is Friday 16^{th} September so we would be grateful of donations of wine, sherry, chocolates, nice biscuits, or a monetary donation for us to buy the prizes.

If your child attended the Summer Holiday Club, please complete the survey which was emailed out.

Although our fees usually increase in September and even though we have had a minimum wage rise we have tried to help our families by delaying the increase to 1st January. So, from that date ASC fees will be £5.50 per hour.

Sam, Becky, Vanessa, Jo, Kelly, Amanda, Megan and Leah

Dates for your Diary:

- Friday 16th September Playgroup host Whist
- Tuesday 4th October Parents' meeting 7.30pm
- Monday 17th to Friday 21st October Half Term
- Saturday 5th November Autumn Activity Morning 11am to 1pm
- Monday 14th November Bags2School Collection
- Tuesday 6th December Christmas Quiz 7.30pm
- Monday 19th December Last Day of term
- Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st December -Holiday Club.

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