

Alexandra Nursery School and Under Three's Centre

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2008

Ofsted Inspection

The school and daycare will be inspected on Thursday 6th and Friday 7th November

All parents have been asked to fill in a questionnaire telling the inspectors what you think about our centres. Please return this before 3pm on Thursday 6th November

There are also questionnaires from me asking you how you feel your child has settled with us. .



**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
WE WILL BE HAVING A
RAFFLE IN DECEMBER
TO RAISE MONEY FOR
THE CHRISTMAS
ACTIVITIES.
WE WOULD BE
GRATEFUL IF YOU
COULD BRING US
PRIZES**



Children from the over three's centre will be going to see the pantomime "Snow White and The Seven Dwarves" at the Albert Hall in Bolton

On **Tuesday 2nd December** leaving school at **9.15** and returning at **1 o'clock**

Tuesday 16th December leaving school at **12.45** and returning at **4.30**

We have a limited number of tickets for children and parents The cost of the coach and the tickets is £8 each Please ask at the office if you would like a ticket

**Our website has been updated
Please have a look at**

www.alexandra-nursery.org.uk

Parents days -Over three's centre

Please come into school to talk to your child's key adult about their progress on the following days:-
Circle group – Miss Valli- Wednesday 26th November and Thursday 27th November
Star group – Miss Powell Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th November
Triangle group- Mrs Settle- Tuesday 25th November
Square group – Miss Mason -Monday 24th November

Under three's centre-

Please make an appointment to see you child's key person on Tuesday 25th November, Wednesday 26th November and Thursday 27th November at a time that is convenient to you

Mrs Oldham will be working in the children's centre for the next few months . Mrs Ughradar will be covering her work in school

Have you noticed the Comments Slips in the entrance areas? These are for you to make any Comments, or ask any questions anonymously. Please fill them in and put in the envelope on the parents notice board,. I will answer any questions in the next newsletter

please write any comments in this box and put in the envelope on the parents notice board

What experiences will your child be having this month?

Under three's

Developing fine motor skills

Threading pasta and weetos onto pipe cleaners and wool

Cutting- magazines, straws, ribbons, shape templates,

Construction and small world- tolotoys magnetic blocks mobilo, train set, farm and jungle animals tool kits

Sensory –fabrics to explore, birds with noises, smelly pots and bags, feathers, tinsel food tasting – apples

Treasure baskets-shiny objects, everyday objects, shredded paper, kitchen utensils, shells, wooden objects

Tasting fruit and vegetables

Role play dressing dolls, hairdressers, camping, teddy bears picnic, making dens,

Music and movement-skittles, dancing to African music teddy bears picnic

Outdoor –bikes, prams, planks for balancing, sand and buckets and spades, water painting, collecting leaves

MESSY PLAY- play dough with smells, pasta, glitter and sequins. Ice wet and dry spaghetti

Manipulative- custard, jelly, angel delight, mashed potato, cornflour. Cleaning tables and chairs with wet cloths hanging washing on line coloured sand with small spoons and sieves

Sand –with twigs , cars, pebbles , rocks, bottle tops, Water –lavender oil, twigs, watering cans, bathing babies with bubbles, slimy water swamp with blue jelly and bugs!

Mark making-with gloop , rice pudding, shaving foam. Printing with fruit and potatoes

Glue-coloured glue , glitter, fabric, magazines, pasta rice confetti lentils, straws

Over three's

Developing fine motor skills-

Threading- making necklaces with cheerios threading round shapes

Cutting- leaf shapes, witches hats, stars, fireworks

Manipulative-pasta , glitter, clay, mash potato shaving foam, fresh fish, dinosaurs in green jelly

Physical play-balancing crawling climbing

Ball play-footballs and nets

ICT- bip and bop, Romer dressed as Bob the builder, 2 simple music, musical toys

Construction – natural materials woodwork bench blocks and fabric

Outdoor classroom –feeding the birds, autumn match and treasure hunt Painting-printing with leaves, bricks , sponges

Gluing- dried flowers fabric autumn canvas- leaves cones twigs

Role play – house at night – bedtime, cleaning house, caves, builders yard, camping

Science and investigation –torches and light sticks, bulb planting, spinners rainbows and kaleidoscopes, discovery boxes

Baking –sandwiches, spider web biscuits, treacle toffee, black peas

Drawing- firework pictures, witches hats, lights and candles

Themes this month – bonfire night

Please help us

– if your child is coming for dinner can you bring them before 12 o'clock. If you are going to be late, then please let us know and we will save their dinner

Under three's 332677 Over three's 332678

GOVERNORS

We have a vacancy for a parent governor- please speak to Mr. Elcoat if you are interested in becoming a governor

This is a selection of our planned experiences
– see the plans on the notice boards for more details or ask a member of staff for more information

YOU CAN FIND OUT MORE ABOUT HOW WE WORK WITH YOUR CHILD BY READING THE LEAFLETS IN THE PACK YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN