



Pathways Nurseries & Childcare Centres Ltd

PARENTS NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2018

Diary dates:

2 nd - 4 th January 2019 2 nd – 7 th January 2019	Balsall Common Holiday Club Warwick Holiday Club open to funded nursery children and children from 4 years upwards
2 nd January 2019	Holly Lane New Term Courtyard New Term Woodlands New Term Warwick New Term
7 th January 2019	Courtyard Funded Children New Term Balsall Common Funded Children New Term Woodlands Funded Children New Term Holly Lane Funded Children New Term
8 th January 2019	Warwick Funded Children New Term
28 th January 2019	National Story Telling Week

A huge thank you to our visiting “Santas”



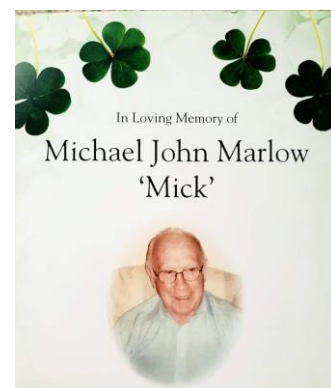
It is with great sadness that we have recently lost a very dear friend and colleague, Mick Marlow. Mick had been with Pathways for over 28 years and will be greatly missed. He was often seen at our settings mowing the lawn and tidying the gardens, putting up shelves and not leaving before finishing his cup of tea. We appreciate your support in enabling us to allow staff to attend his funeral. All proceeds from our Christmas raffles will be donated to Macmillan Cancer Support in memory of Mick.

Dear Parents,

A warm welcome to any new children who have recently joined us. As the Autumn Term draws to a close, I would like to say ‘thank you’ to all parents and family members who have attended our annual Christmas Sing Song Events. It was so lovely to see your children and hear the songs they have learnt over the last year. A few of our settings have recently completed Makaton training and this was very evident as the children at Warwick were able to sign some of their Christmas songs.

Additional staff will attend further Makaton training sessions in the new year so look out for your children signing as they speak and sing.

We will be running a Saturday Morning Makaton Parents Workshop in the Spring term, Places will be limited and you will receive a booking form.



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Increasing sessions

Also, if you are intending to increase your sessions at a later point in time please let us know as soon as possible, to avoid disappointment.

Funding is available for eligible 2 year olds and all 3-4 year olds. Information for 2 -year old funding can be found at www.solihull.gov.uk/2yearoldfunding

Please ask staff if you need support with your online application.

Any child who is 3 before 1st January, 2019, is entitled to 15 nursery education funded hours a week from January, staying until they start their school reception class.

Our 2-3 and 3-4 year old nursery groups provide educational programmes and assessments in line with national EYFS guidance, ensuring a smooth transition to school when the time comes.

30 hours funding is also available for eligible parents.

Contact Numbers

Please ensure that all your emergency contact details are up to date ready for the new term.

Staffing

In January we welcome Becky Orchard (Senior Management Team) who is returning after being on maternity Leave, along with baby Milo.

Harriet will also be returning in February with baby Harry, to The Courtyard.

Caroline Smith, Suki and Helen Ellicott are moving on to explore new careers, we wish them well in their new positions. We have a new Playworker at our Warwick Kidzone, Jamie Johnson. Mia Henry will be joining our Courtyard Team in January.

Message from Caroline (owner)

As some of you may be aware, I am currently in Cyprus recovering from a serious fall. I am doing well after surgery and would like to thank you for all your kind comments and well wishes. I am thinking of all the families, staff and children and looking forward to coming back in due course, hopefully by February. Some events I was planning to run have been postponed and new dates will be on the next newsletter. I personally wish you all a happy, safe and healthy Christmas and New Year. Beth is taking charge in my absence and everyone is doing a great job to maintain quality with Dan also running the office but coming to visit me. I am very proud of them all and really appreciate your support during this difficult time.

We would all like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and to wish you all **A very Merry Christmas.**

Beth Casey (Director) and Team

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