## <u> Playgroup News — Friday 26th November 2021</u>





Hello Everyone,

Here is our playgroup news for this week....

## LOOK WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK!

This week the children have been super busy and starting to get into the Christmas spirit as we have begun making our fantastic Christmas Gift boxes which will be filled with lovely handmade cards and decorations. All the children brought their smiley faces with them on Tuesday and Wednesday for their Christmas photographs that we are all so excited to see- please see below for more information on the how to view and purchase photographs.

Story making- The Squirrel children have been sequencing the story of Dear Zoo using picture cards and the Penguin children have been acting the story of We're Going on a Bear Hunt using props. Story making for this term has now ended and the children will be enjoying lots of Christmas and winter themed stories until the end of this term. Take a look at what we've been up to this week:



## Christmas at Coalway Early Years!

The children had their Christmas photos at the beginning of this week. The photographer will be making the finishing touches and by the end of next week we should have received the log in details so you are able to view your child's photographs through his website. All photograph orders are to be made via the website and photos should be printed in time for Christmas.



## Christmas Raffle

We are still in need of some donations for our Christmas raffle, we would be very grateful for donations of chocolates, luxury items such as toiletry gift sets, candles, selection boxes, and alcohol. If you would like any additional raffle tickets, please speak to a member of staff. Raffle tickets need to be returned by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

The Elf raffle is nearly sold out!! At the time of writing we currently have 2 names left- Domey and Pinky. If you would like to guess the name, each name costs £2. This can either be paid via bank transfer (details have been emailed out previously) or bringing cash to the setting next time you attend. The winner will be picked from a name generator and be able to take their new Elf friend home!



Due to such popular demand we have 2 additional and smaller Elves to raffle off! The children are able to choose their own names for these Elves. We have one elf for each room and each name entry costs £1. Staff will be available with the name sheets at the beginning of each session and the winner will again be chosen using a name generator. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your continued support- we really do appreciate it and each fundraising event enables us to continue providing excellent resources for your children.



<u>Christmas Parties and Gift Boxes</u> This years Christmas parties will be held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 9am-12pm in your child's base room. Every child will be bringing home an invitation for the party which we need returned as soon as possible



please, so we have an idea of how many children we need to cater for. Please can you also include a £1 contribution to help us cover the costs of food and each

child's gift from Father Christmas. If you child is normally in attendance on a Friday (all day) they will still need a lunchbox and we will be holding a later lunch of 1pm on this day. If your child normally attends Friday mornings then please bring them in as normal. If your child normally attends a Friday afternoon, could you please bring them in for the morning session instead and collect them at 12pm? Thank-you

The children have started their Christmas gift boxes which are full of beautiful sentimental items that they have hand made- items included are tree decorations, christmas card, candle holder, calendar and reindeer food. These can be purchased at the end of term for



- <u>Dates for the Diary</u>
  <u>Christmas Party- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 9am-12pm</u>
  End of Term: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 3pm finish