

CRAFT GROUP

A very Happy New Year to everyone!

At the beginning of this new term I have a few pieces of information for you – some of a practical nature and some to include small changes to the morning that I hope will improve the smooth running of the session as well as the enjoyment for all.

The craft group dates for this term are as follows:

Wednesday 12th January

Thursday 20th January

Wednesday 26th January

Thursday 3rd February

Wednesday 9th February

HALF TERM

Wednesday 2nd March

Wednesday 16th March

Wednesday 30th March

We aim to change the focus of our crafting from making items to sell at every Open Day and Fayre, to just the two main Fayres in the year – the Summer Fayre and Advent Fayre. It will then be more possible to produce a decent amount of stock to sell. We will then plan to make a beautiful ‘display only’ stall for information on Open Days.

I thought it might also benefit the group if the main objectives for the Craft Group were highlighted as it is easy to see ourselves as a fundraising group only. This is obviously a very important factor in our school but just as important is that we produce crafts, which reflect our educational philosophy, for the school and wider community to benefit from. Bearing this in mind then, the idea at craft group is that we make one item to donate to the stall whilst learning the skills to enable us to make our own at home if desired.

I would also like to structure the morning a little in order to help the children to settle as well as to improve productivity. I would therefore be really grateful if we could try and start the morning at 10a.m. and finish at 12.30p.m.

Other ideas I have had to improve the morning for the children are for us to try and sing more whilst crafting (you don’t have to be a great singer!) as this can often help the children to disengage from our ‘adult talk’ and enable them to play. I thought we could at least try some of the songs from our Parent and Child group. Another suggestion is to have a snack time to create more of a rhythm for the children.

I have also moved the group to my work room to allow for a bit more space so I would appreciate it if everyone could park in the court yard and come in by the back door.

May I also suggest this term that we have a kitty to cover some of the basic running costs of the craft morning.

EVERYONE WELCOME SO PLEASE JOIN US!

Many thanks and warm wishes,

Bev

