



Established 1965

Theydon Bois Pre-School Group

Newsletter – 8 January 2023

HAPPY NEW YEAR to all our families and staff – we wish you a healthy and happy 2023!!

We have enjoyed seeing the children come back to pre-school and we look forward to welcoming some new children over the course of the Spring Term.

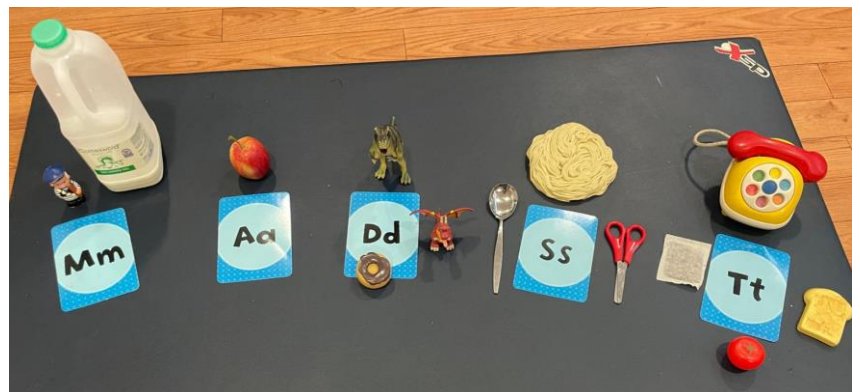


Letter of the week for the week commencing 9th January is Hh. Please click on the following [link](#) to hear the sound 'h'. Please have a look around your home with your child to find an object starting with the letter **H** that they can bring into circle time to share with their friends.



The children enjoy various ways of listening to stories whilst at pre-school. On this day some of the children made a choice to sit in small groups to listen to their preferred story via the CD player and head phones in the quiet area.

We got back to our phonics work this week, recapping on sounds that they learnt in 2022, matching objects to the initial sounds. The children were very excited and could recall most of the sounds! Well done everyone!!





Christmas Baubles

We hope you received your child's bauble from us in December, please let us know if yours did not make it home.

In December the children and staff spent time measuring the heights of the children with Christmas ribbon, they were able to compare lengths of ribbon, linking an excellent use of comparative vocabulary to the exercise...words such as longer/shorter, taller/smaller...

Each Christmas we would love for you to get the bauble out of the decorations box and see how much your child has grown in a year!



Arts/Crafts/Cards

If your unsure on what to do with your old Christmas/birthday/celebration cards please consider sending them into the pre-school. We can use them in our arts and crafts area!

If your having a clear out this January and have any arts and crafts materials sitting in your cupboards bring them into pre-school for the children to use as we ALWAYS need supplies!

We are particularly in need of: Glitter, gems, sequins, buttons, lolly sticks and paper (& Christmas 'bits')



Pre-School Committee

We would love to hear from any parents/carers/family members who are interested in helping on our Committee. We are a team of parents with no prior Committee experience who get together twice a term (at the pub!) to discuss a range of topics/ arrange fundraising events/ discuss ways the pre-school needs our help (from painting to storage solutions to website design and so on!)....please contact Sarah and Harriet on tbpschair@gmail.com we would be delighted to hear from you!!

Fundraising for our pre-school

With the January Sales in full swing we would like to highlight the free ways you can earn money for the pre- school whilst you shop online!!

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