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### Spring Term 2014 Newsletter

Happy New year to you all and many thanks for the gifts which we all received, it was much appreciated.

Let's get the grotty stuff out of the way first!!!!

### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS

During last half term we had a large number of children missing pre booked sessions for which we drafted in unnecessary additional staff members. It is very important that parents inform us straight away when you know your child is not going to be with us or if they have been collected from school because of sickness. It is not up to the school to pass on messages from parents;

**You will be charged for any session where we have not been informed of an absence the morning that they are not attending to cover additional staff costs unless your child is sent home sick from school.**

### Monthly Invoices

We have now started sending out monthly invoices via email to you all, which seems to be working well. We do request that these invoices are paid as soon as possible to prevent a further month's invoice being sent. If your email address should change, please let us have the new address as quickly as possible. Invoices can be paid by cash, cheque, childcare vouchers and BACS payments (this is the preferred method).

### Weather

It is important that you keep an eye on the weather forecasts over the next few weeks. In the event of severe weather, we have to consider the safety of not only the children in our care, but also our staff. If St. Botolph's school closes, we too will close the club. As

much notice as possible will be given. This will apply to breakfast club aswell.

### Before and After School Sessions

We will automatically assume your child will be attending their usual days. If you have to make any changes, please let Paula or Bridget know at your earliest opportunity.

### Fund Raising

The winner of our luxury Christmas hamper was Debbie Townsend, well done to her. Thank you for your generosity, we raised the sum of £77 which will go towards equipment for the children.

Our Saturday lotto bonus ball number is going well, the winners so far have been Justin Boynton, Judith Cole, Laura Harding and Chrissie (staff!) Our chart is up at the club every day so for just £1 you might be in for a small bonus of £24.50 if all numbers are used.

We are holding a **Jumble sale** on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January from 11 a.m to 1 p.m. We will be handing out black bin liners for you to fill up with your unwanted Christmas gifts, good quality clean clothing (no underwear), bric a brac, shoes, games etc. and return to the club by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January. There will be tea, coffee and cakes served throughout the sale. Please support this event generously. If you are able to give up a couple of hours to help serving tea and coffee or manning a table, we would appreciate it.

If any parents have any new ideas for fund raising, please talk with Paula or Bridget. We always want to try out new things and every penny raised will be ploughed back into the club providing more equipment and activities for the children.

**Paula, Bridget, Natalie, Chrissie and Jo.**

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