

Arnold View



## The Lime Trees at Arnold View

January 2019

We hope you all had a super Christmas and would like to wish you a Happy New Year.

In the run up to Christmas we had lots of fun. Our Christmas Pyjama Evening was enjoyed by all with hot chocolate, nail painting and a finale of a Glow stick Laser show! Our end of term party was celebrated with children learning about our staff member Maggie's home town of Poland. This included a Polish Christmas, including traditional crafts, and food Tasting.

We aim to Continue putting on different events this new year.

We will also resume Around the World food Tasting with crafts.

## About our lovely team

Tracy and Maggie have recently been joined by Kathleen Ryan. Kathleen is on her staff induction and has completed mandatory safeguarding training in addition to having the relevant Paediatric and Food Hygiene qualifications.

Maggie and Tracy have recently taken Food Hygiene Level 2 refresher courses.

In the New Year Maggie will be looking to complete her Level 3 child care qualification.




## Action Plan

We regularly hold our own Mock Ofsted's and from this our club's improvement Plans are formed. This year we will be working to achieve all our area targets. A copy of our improvement plan is available for you to see on our parent notice Board.

We welcome any comments you may have on ways to move the club forward.

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## Tips and activities at home

### Egg carton penguins at the Arctic Circle

Cut Each egg space out of an egg carton. Paint black. leave a door Shaped white arch painted at the front. Add googly eyes, orange paper feet, and pointed Beak. Place on white plate covered in sugar cubes and arch egg carton that is left as an igloo. Cover in cotton pleat or balls.

## You Spoke: We listened

**You Spoke:** The children asked for new footballs. **We**

**listened:** two new footballs were purchased

**You spoke:** The foundation teacher asked if we would like a list of special events, they will celebrate in 2019. **We**

**listened:** We arranged a meeting and were given a list of dates to help us plan together and join in the celebrations

## Upcoming events and Notices

We have been working with our year six to create an area dedicated to their interests. We are in the final stages of planning. Resources will be ordered in early January. We are planning a Winter Woollies Evening. This will be with a theme of crafts and all things icy! See Staff for more information.

Some of our children in the past have planned activities themselves. Taken on the lead role of planning and implementing (being led totally by themselves). This has proved hugely successful and we would like to continue this. If any children / Parents would like to suggest an activity we would love to hear of you. We will endeavour to stock the resources needed.

## Comments from parents

On our Polish Christmas "Where else would she get chance to do this. It's something I have always wanted to do at home myself"

"Thank you for settling him so well. He loves coming to After School Club"

"You always go that little bit further to ensure they have a great time"