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# Our Place

Issue 30

#### A very creative October half term...



Over 350 children, young people and disabled adults came throughout half term. What a week!

We managed to squeeze in all sorts of fun; we carved nearly 100 pumpkins, baked over 60 Halloween cookies and made over 50 woodwork creations!

We also held our third 'Trunk or Treat' evening. Thanks to the incredible effort families made with the trunks of their cars, there were some horrifying decorations!

Please tell us what you thought to half term, here: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/OctoberHalfTerm2019

### New adult social group starts in February 2020...

Based on the feedback we have collated from our 16+ visitors we are now offering a new social group.

Our first exciting evening will be held on the 12th February. You will be able to arrive from 5:30pm and the pavilion will be offering Pizza's to purchase and a chance to chat and socialise. Then at 6:30pm until 7:30pm we will be playing Thomley Bingo with a range of excellent prizes to be won!

On the 11th March we will then be offering curry from the pavilion with time to socialise before a chance to do some arts and crafts from 6:30pm till 7:30pm.

Please book: bookings@thomley.org.uk



#### Parent support group...



Would you benefit from meeting / socialising with other parents of children with additional needs? Have you been thinking of setting up a group to share ideas with other parents?

We are keen to host existing OR a new parent support group at Thomley.

If you are interested in running, attending or contributing please get in touch with our Service Manager, Joe: joekitchen@thomley.org.uk

#### Christmas at Thomley...



As much as the staff all want a nice Christmas break, we have managed to rota the days so that we are open throughout most of the break for families, as we know this can be a difficult time of the year for some.

We hope that families make the most of the Christmas opening, as for years we didn't open at all and it was high on the request list that we did open. We have some lovely festive (and non-festive) activities planned.

Please check out the holiday planner to see the full opening hours and activities, or visit our online calendar.

#### Help us find a tree!

Last year a family of ours very kindly bought us this fantastic tree to have in the pavilion, which made it feel ultra festive!

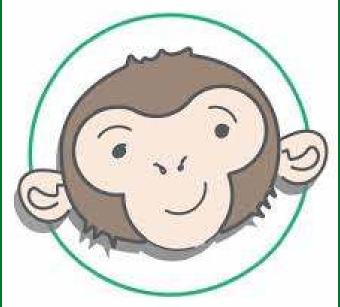
We are on the lookout for someone who be (very kindly) able to provide one for free again this year, or point us in the right direction to someone who could help.

Please get in touch with our Service Manager Joe if you are able to help us out: joekitchen@thomley.org.uk



#### Upcoming Workshops...







#### A Thomley 'Christmas' Roast Dinner

Sunday 8th December, 11am-3pm opening times. 12pm or 2pm sitting for food

Join us for a lovely roast dinner, with a few added Christmas extras! Full details can be found on the Roast Dinner poster.

#### Preschool day musical Christmas party with Cha Cha Chimps

Wednesday 11th December, 1pm
Join us for the preschool Christmas
party with the amazing Cha Char
Chimps! Preschool day opens at
10am and closes at 3:30pm, but the
Cha Cha Chimps session will begin at
1pm.

#### The annual Christmas Party!

Saturday 14th December

Santa will be here for the day, come and visit him in his grotto. Plus we will be making brie and cranberry Christmas trees and doing lots of other Christmas related activities!

#### **Adult Christmas Disco!**

Saturday 21st December, 7-10pm Our first adult social disco! A great opportunity to chat, dance, eat Christmas food or have a drink from our licensed bar for the evening. DJ Scully will be your DJ for the night!

PLUS there is lots to do this coming January, including: Sports, glitter tattoos, Lego Day, laser tag, bubbles and lots more!



#### We are recruiting...

#### Casual Play Staff

£7.70 per hour (under 25) £8.22 per hour (over 25) Shifts are mainly available on Saturdays, Sundays, some evenings and in the school holidays (especially in February and October half term).

Thomley is a place for people of all abilities and we are based in Worminghall, just a short distance from Thame.

Thomley require enthusiastic casual play staff to support our full time staff, delivering a fun and varied service to disabled children and adults of all abilities. You will help us set up the centre for the day, play with the children, support families and then tidy up ready for the next day.

The role is often popular with teaching assistants and students.

For the full job description, please visit: <a href="https://www.thomley.org.uk/staff-vacancies/">www.thomley.org.uk/staff-vacancies/</a>

Closing date for applications: December 15th 2019

For any further information about the role please contact Joe:

joekitchen@thomley.org.uk / 01844 338380

#### Thanks to Thame United...



A massive thanks goes to our local football club Thame United FC, who kindly held a day for our families to visit their club and get a whole match day experience.

We had a team of mascots (and their families) attend the match for free, the children went in the dressing room before the game, walk out onto the pitch with the players and even take penalties at half time. A 6-0 home win certainly added to the excitement of the day!

## Can you help with any of the following items?

Old beaded jewellery
Beads
Cardboard tube (kitchen roll and wrapping paper)
Jam jars with lids
Small plastic bottles with lids
Ribbon
Bike helmets
Apple corers
Cake tins
Cooking foil
Baking paper
Clingfilm
Please email: amy@thomley.org.
uk if you can help!

#### Birthday party offer for January & February...

Book a Sunday party this January or February and we will give you an additional activity at no cost to you! Extra activities include: archery, giant bubbles, treasure hunt, face painting.

To book your party speak to our receptionist Faye, and quote code: 'PartyBonus' to take advantage of our activity offer: bookings@thomley.org.uk