



Newsletter: Christmas Update!

I thought it might be a good idea to update you on arrangements for Christmas celebrations and other events over the next three weeks.

General Election: 12th December

The Pre-School will be open as usual on the day of the Election but you will be asked to come in and go home through the side gate. Staff will be around to direct you. You can leave buggies etc outside the Pre-School hall, but will not be able to leave them in the main entrance. It would be helpful if you could be at the Pre-School on time for drop off and pick up on that date. You will still be able to buzz through to the Pre-School using the intercom on the front door but we will have to come to let you in/out through the side gate if you are dropping off or picking up outside the usual times.

Pre-School Nativity: 13th December

Friends and family are invited to join us for our Nativity on Friday 13th December, 10.45am for an 11.15am start. The Committee will be offering refreshments and a raffle, raising money for the rest of our Christmas celebrations. All children are welcome to join in the Nativity, even if they do not usually attend on a Friday. Children should be at Pre-School at 9.00am as usual. We provide costumes etc, so there is no need for the children to come in wearing anything specific for the event.

Christmas Party: 20th December

We are having a Christmas Party on our last day of term, 20th December. Nearer the time, we will be asking for donations of party food and bits and pieces. There will be a sign-up sheet on the door. Again, all children are welcome to attend, even if they do not usually do a Friday. Again, children should be at Pre-School at 9.00am as usual.

Parents are invited to join us for a few festive songs (probably horribly familiar by then...) and (hopefully!!) a visit from a VIP, from **11.15am**. The Pre-School closes at 11.30am on this date.

Children (and adults if you wish!) are invited to wear Christmas jumpers or other Christmassy clothing on the last day of term. Please do not buy anything specially – if you don't have something at home, a Christmas hat, or just Christmassy colours will do fine. There is no obligation, and if your child does not wish

to 'dress up' there is no requirement for them to do so.

Photos etc

You are welcome to take pictures of your child during our special Christmas events. Please try to avoid getting other children in the shot, background etc. If you do have other children in the photo, please do not post these pictures on social media.

Christmas Stay and Play

Will be from Monday 16th Dec to Thursday 19th Dec. A sign-up sheet will be on the door, a week before as usual.

Spring Term Dates

Pre-School returns, Wednesday 8th January at 9.00am.

Half term: 17-21st February

Pre-School returns, Monday 24th February

Last day of term: Friday 3rd April (close at 11.30am)

Curriculum

It will come as no surprise that our curriculum focus for the last three weeks of term is...Christmas!

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to have a word with myself, your child's key person, or staff on the door in the morning and/or at lunchtime.

This just leaves me to thank you all for your ongoing support and contribution to the Pre-School. I wish you, your families and all our Pre-School community a joyful Christmas and festive season, and a very happy New Year.

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