

Little Dragons

Newsletter December 2024



Happy Birthday - We would like to wish Flynn and George a happy 3rd birthday and Henry a happy 4th birthday. We hope you all have a lovely day.

What are we doing? Over the last few weeks we have explored and learnt about Remembrance Day; making poppies and talking about people who help us and people we love. We supported Children in Need; we dressed up, had a crazy hat/hair day and wore our pyjamas to school! We also raised approx £60 for this charity- thank you to those who donated. The children engaged in conversations about Pudsey Bear and how he helps families who are not as lucky as us to get better or buy healthy foods or stay safe and warm.

Thank you

We would like to thank you all for your understanding over the last two weeks. Pre-school will re-open for the last week of term from Monday 16th Dec as usual.

If any parents were able to continue to support staff in helping to tidy toys/wash up any day next week, before lunch - 11.30am-12 pm or before home time 2.30-3pm. Helen and Ceri would really appreciate this- please let us know either on the parents whats app or we will have the sign up sheet on the door.

We would also like to thank all the parents who have helped keep the hall open for the play and stay sessions whilst Pre-school has been closed. We know this has been really appreciated by other families who have used these sessions.

Christmas Jumpers/outfits

We would like to invite the children to wear Christmas jumpers/ outfits for the last week of term **16th- 19th December**. We do this every year and it's a lovely way to get into the Christmas spirit!



Nativity and Party

Friday 20th December 10.15am-12.15pm- Nativity and party

We will be holding our sing-along nativity on December 20th. All children will be invited to dress up in the Nativity, these places have been shared on the parents whats app. If dressing up will upset your child, just go for clothes of a colour that will represent their part.



The morning will include:

- All children to be at Pre-school- dressed in their costumes (to be provided by parents) for 10.15am- no children in Pre-school before 10.15am. We have some costumes at Pre-school if needed.
- Parents/grandparents etc are welcome to come along- all children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the morning.
- Nativity will start approx 10.20am
- Coffee/ cake for a donation, and games - bring some loose change- all proceeds will go towards Little Dragons.
- Visit from Father Christmas- All children will receive a present from Father Christmas.
- Party lunch
- Home time



We will be covering the cost of the party lunch and the present from Father Christmas. If you will be bringing a younger sibling and would like them to receive a present from Father Christmas please confirm this with Ceri or Helen.

Christmas Raffle

This is a fantastic fundraiser for our Pre-school.

Your child will be coming home with information and tickets to sell for this event next week. We will be drawing the raffle on the last day of term (after the nativity).

Please support us if you can by donating prizes for the raffle and buying/selling raffle tickets. All raffle prize donations to be dropped at Pre-school by Thursday 19th December.

Please return your raffle tickets to a member of staff by the last day of term. Tickets will also be available at our party.

Staff you will see at Little Dragons

As most of you are now aware we have some new staff members joining us in January.

Kyra will be joining us full time from January 15th and will be Key Person to some of Kate's children- you will have

been informed of this already. She will be employed as our named Deputy Manager.

Victoria will be joining us on a Monday and Thursday from the first week of term.

Charis will be joining us on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from the first week of term.

Both Victoria and Charis will be employed as Early Years Practitioners, they will be supporting all children and the daily running of Pre-school.

Please support Helen and Ceri in welcoming all the new members of staff. We value everyone who is part of the Little Dragons team and appreciate your understanding and support.



AGM: We will be holding our AGM in January in the Pre-school hall- more information will be in our

January newsletter. We would like to encourage as many of you to attend as possible. Our staff and committee give a review of the previous academic year and there will be refreshments available.

Reminder-school places

Please remember that if your child is starting primary school in September 2025 you need to apply for a place for them no later than 15th January 2025.

Dates to remember:

- ★ Mon 16th- Thurs 19th December- Christmas jumper week
- ★ Friday 20th December- Nativity and party
- ★ Friday 20th December- Last day of term 2
- ★ Monday 6th January- First day of term 3



We would like to wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Term Dates

Please follow the link for the 2024-2025 term dates and school holidays:

<https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/1684/Term-dates-and-holidays>

As well as the holidays we also have 5 teacher training days, Pre-school is closed to all children on these days:

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Monday 4th November 2024

Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Friday 13th June 2025