



CLASSROOM newsletter

Nov
2021

Important Dates

- Xmas Party - 10 December
- Nativity/Concert - 16 December
- Autumn Term Ends - 17 December
- Xmas Holiday Club - 20-23 December
- Spring Term Begins - Tuesday 4 January

CLASSROOM NEWS - BEARS

We are very excited about the upcoming 2nd half of Autumn term. The first half was full of Autumn rambles, harvest activities, crafts, and visits to donate all your lovely offerings to the church. We feel as a team that the children are all now familiar in their surroundings and confident enough to let us know when they need help or support with their needs.

Parents should continue to drop their children at the door (which is progress from waiting in the car park) and allows us to see you. We are hoping to have a parent consultation evening soon. As this maybe after Christmas, if you have any needs/ concerns, please feel welcome to arrange a brief chat with either your child's key person or Julie (Room Manager) and we will try to accommodate a time that suits you. Please email us at admin@earlydays-nursery.co.uk to coordinate a time.

The weather has been very kind lately and we have been out walking most days with half of the children. It appears to work well, as the children who stay at nursery are able to have a focused group time. This is followed by activities/ experiences relating to the theme or numbers, letter sounds, shapes and more. We try to keep as much of their focus work as we can so we can collate it at the end of term to make it more of a keepsake. However some really do love to take it straight home which is very important to them to show you on the day.

The walks usually have a focus too, such as using natural resources for letters, shapes, pretend fires. We have enjoyed bark rubbing, collecting, and counting conkers, sticks, etc. This year we have not found a single acorn - so Chicken Licken had to improvise slightly.

Thank you all for providing wellies, they nearly all seem to have a pair and we only need a few spares on the day.

Please be sure to read Page 2 for more important information.

If you have any other queries, please feel free to ask any member of staff, or email Gina on the above email.

JULIE

Sabrina, Sue, Lucy, Megan, Gracie

Themes This Term

- 1 November **Bonfire Night/Fireworks**
- 8 November **Remembrance Day
Oral Hygiene**
- 15 November **Road Safety
Children in Need (19th)**
- 22 November **Stickman (talking about families
and feelings)**
- 29 November **Stickmen, Xmas Crafts and
Activities**
- 6 December **Christmas - Lots of Glitter!**
- 13 December



HAPPY Birthday

Celebrating their Birthday this half term are:

Freddie, Theo, Florence, Jack, Coco, George plus Agnes whose birthday is before we return in Jan

We hope that you have a great day.



HO! HO! HO! (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

This year we have been asked by the local vicar if we would like to hold our Christmas Concert/Nativity in Ipsden Church. We felt this was a lovely gesture, and as it is only a short walk past the park, we will have opportunities to go there to practice too. The Concert/Nativity will take place on 16th December at 2.00 pm. We really hope you will all be able to come along, refreshments will be provided and it will be lovely to have our first gathering in two years!

Another important date is our Bears Christmas Party which will be held at the nursery. It will take place on **10th December in the morning**. We will be decorating the room in the week leading up to the party and ALL children are invited.

We will ask children who are not usually in on a Friday to confirm attendance beforehand so we can cater staff wise. The hours for extra children would be from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm. Entertainment will start at 10 am and be provided by Mr Wilkins, (a parent of one of our children). We have used him before and the children and staff absolutely loved him! The entertainment will last approximately one hour.



The children will then play some games before going outside (weather permitting) whilst we set up for a party lunch which will be provided.

ACCESS TO DRINKING WATER

In our room, we always have a jug of water with several plastic cups where children can ask or help themselves to water. They do not always remember to do this, and we have considered the children bringing their own water bottles into nursery. Some children have already chosen to do this, and we are more than happy to top them up. However, it would be the parents responsibility to ensure it is taken home regularly and freshened up. Please send your child in with a bottle if you wish. We will continue to remind them where the water jug is kept and how they can ask anytime. (They also all have drinks with meals and snacks throughout the day).



Parent+ zone

Our website now has a Parent Zone tab which is exclusively for parents of children at Early Days. The Parent Zone includes lots of useful information such as menus, policies, funding information, etc. Access can be gained by entering the password WorkingTogether

XMAS HOLIDAY CLUB

We will be running Christmas Holiday Club this year in the week leading up to Christmas (from Monday 20th until Thursday 23rd December). A booking form will be sent out nearer the time.

Also, please be reminded that the nursery is closed between Xmas and New Year. With the Bank Holiday on Monday 3rd January, we will not be reopening for the Spring Term until Tuesday 4th January 2022.