



Dear Parents

14 November 2022

From fabulous poppy artwork creations for Remembrance and nature walks to forest school learning and local community visits- we had it all going on in nursery last week. We're confident the children enjoyed all this first hand learning and have taken a lot away throughout the week. We really are lucky to have such a wide and diverse curriculum here at Halesfield and amazing, dedicated staff.

This week coming we have a preschool trip to Madeley orchard, Forest school, Music Minors and a PJ day to look forward to. It just doesn't stop haha.

DON'T FORGET: PJ day on Friday for Children in Need. Everyone is welcome to wear their pyjamas or lounge wear to nursery. A donations pot will be out for any monetary donations you want to pop in for the charity and we'll send it over.



Christmas cards

Thank you to everyone that put their Christmas card orders in. They have now been posted off and will hopefully be back with us within the next couple of weeks. Please let us know what you think about them when they're back. It's our first time working with this company and all seems to have gone well so far.

Madeley Remembrance



The toddlers had a fantastic time visiting Madeley on Friday. They learnt first hand about the community and soaked up the poignant atmosphere during the two minutes silence for Remembrance. They were all so well behaved and a true credit to the nursery. They met the mayor and local councillors as well as visited the library, tesco's and saw their art work on display.



Well done toddlers- amazing work and thank you for all the pop bottle donations everyone.

Christmas Smile Project

Thank you so much for all the amazing donations that have been brought in for the Christmas Smile collection. It is filling up beautifully. Once completed we aim to take a couple of children to drop off the collection at their headquarters- so that's something else to look forward to.

The donation box will remain in nursery for the remainder of the week, so if you still want to contribute then please do. Details about suggested gifts can be found on their website:



<https://www.christmassmile.org.uk/donate/>

FARM: Next week we have the wonderful Stella from the Farm on Wheels visiting nursery. Stella and her animals will be with us from 9am. As always everyone is welcome to attend, just be mindful that the carpark maybe closed if you arrive between 8.45am and 10.30am.

Christmas Raffle



We have had a fair few donations for our raffle so far so it's starting to take shape. We have meal vouchers, champagne, hair cut vouchers, a £25 meat voucher, Online PT Sessions, sweets and family passes to local attractions. If you would like to donate a prize you are more than welcome. Anything from vouchers, wine, smellies and chocolate. You name it, we'd love it. Tickets are being printed this week and we will send home to families when back.

Parent Questionnaires

This week we will be sending out an electronic questionnaire to parents via our Family App. As always we value your opinions and feedback so please do let us know what we do well and what we can improve on. Please do help us by completing the survey.



Date for your diary- On Thursday 15 December @ 6pm nursery will be holding our annual Christmas concert at St Andrews church in Shifnal. All parents and children are welcome to attend. Children will be performing some songs and we will draw the Christmas raffle. Light refreshments will also be available too. We'll provide more information soon but please please save the date.

Reindeer Run



After last year's amazing Santa Dash, we have decided to give the children another amazing yet similar opportunity to raise funds for nursery. Children will be invited to take part in a Reindeer run during week commencing 5th December. We will be running all through the week so every child will get the opportunity to partake (some more than once). Please help if you can, by collecting sponsors for your child. All the money raised will go straight back into nursery to fund all the fun things we do such as Music Minors lessons, Forest School sessions, trips out and the purchase of new resources. As a charity the money is crucial to help us remain

sustainable and every little helps.

Forest School

Forest school. **Group A**, have their turn in the woods this Tuesday. Please don't forget forest school clothing if your child has it. We will send an up to date list of the groups at the start of the week as a reminder of which days kit needs to be in.

Diary Dates and information

- WEEK 2- Menu
- Children in Need- PJ Day Friday 18 November
- Farm on Wheels Tuesday 21 November
- Reindeer Run- Week commencing 5 December
- Christmas concert Thursday 15 December @ 6pm St Andrews Church Shifnal
- Christmas opening hours. Term time children last day Friday 16 December and return back Tuesday 3 January. Nursery closed Monday 26 December to Monday 2 January.

Yours sincerely

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