



Dear Parents and carers

13 December 2021

As if I am writing the last nursery newsletter of 2021!!! Where oh where has the time gone? What a challenging year everyone has had, juggling work, home, childcare and COVID to name a few. But we have made it. Thank you to all our wonderful staff, parents and of course children. We really are lucky to have the community that we do and feel privileged to be in such a strong position during these tricky times. Of course, our staff are what makes us the best we can be- they are all fantastic and we cannot thank them enough for their commitment and enthusiasm for carrying on during difficult and challenging times. From everyone at nursery we hope you all have a wonderful and peaceful Christmas filled with joy and memories for you and your family.

### Santa Dash

Wow, wow and just wow. Thank you to everyone that has brought in their Santa Dash money so far. We have had 17 sponsor forms returned and a staggering £805 raised. The children have absolutely loved this challenge and it's been great joining in with them and getting all festive. Well done everyone for taking part, please keep sending in your sponsor money- we'll tally it all up at the end of the week.



### Christmas Raffle



Raffle tickets for our Christmas raffle remain on sale until Thursday- when it is drawn. We do have some great prizes on offer including a huge food hamper, several toy and book bundles for the little ones and a couple of pretty beauty packages. All the money raised goes straight into nursery's fundraising kitty. We use this money to pay for our fabulous Music Minors lessons, Forest School costs, trips out and new resources. Recently we have purchased lots of lovely new books, a new light box and resources, booked the minibus twice for excursions, had a new boom box for outside music- to name a few. We really are lucky to have the finances to purchase

these resources and make children's learning so much fun. Tickets are £1 and can be paid to staff at drop off and collection. So far, we have £100 in the raffle kitty- so we have plenty more tickets to go.

### Parent Invoices

Invoices were sent out early this week (Sunday afternoon), apologies but this is due to me being away this week. Jackie is still in the office and available should you need anything; she will be checking emails frequently and is able to deal with most queries. Any invoice or bill queries, I will sort when I return just send them over in an email for me. Please ensure invoices are paid on time and kept up to date. We appreciate it can be a difficult time of year for people financially so please remember not to put unnecessary financial pressure on yourself and only buy what you need. If you are having difficulties paying your bill, then please do contact Jackie at nursery.



### Christmas Parties



This, Tuesday is Christmas party day for nursery. All the children are invited in for party games and food. Letters have been sent out to confirm if you want your child to attend- if they don't normally do a Tuesday Morning- please return these if you haven't already. Parties run 11am to 12.30pm. We appreciate the carpark is going to get very busy so please take your time and if we're full then please park on the café carpark next door and walk over.

### Hygge Wanderlust Study

We have been busy working on our Wanderlust topics over the last term. So far, we have earned 4 badges through our nature topic work. This is our latest badge- the butterfly. Next week we are looking at decorations. We will be looking at them and making some using natural foliage. We'll practice wrapping presents and talk about why we give presents. Well done everyone for your enthusiasm and hard work- we love getting all Hygge and cosy on our setting.



### Forest school

We had a fantastic Autumn term of Forest school; it was great to see the children enjoying their outdoor learning and trying new things. We loved lighting fires, climbing trees, using bow saws, making swings, exploring and eating outdoors to name a few things. Next term we will run forest school on a Monday, this allows different children to access the experience. Permission letters to parents will be sent out in the New Year.

### Diary Dates and information

- Link to this week's menu:  
<http://telfordnurseries.org/files/Autumn Term 2021 Week 14 Menu.pdf>
- Christmas opening: Closed Monday 27 December – Monday 3 January. Term time children break up Friday 17 December and return Wednesday 5 January.

Yours sincerely





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