

NEWSLETTER

12th December 2019



Christmas is well and truly underway at preschool! On Friday of last week, the children dodged the torrential rain to deliver of Christmas tree to the St Lawrence tree festival (see below.). Sunday saw the children perform our Christmas spells Christmas Nativity and then on Monday we were pleased to visit the infant school to watch the dress rehearsal of their production. On Monday afternoon the children were invited to sing at the Baptist Church Christmas lunch and despite depleted numbers they did a brilliant job. The children have clearly enjoyed performing for an audience as on Tuesday they asked when they were going out to sing again.



In the room they have spent lots of time decorating and redecorating their Christmas tree and enjoying spending time in the sensory tent / Christmas grotto.

Christmas Tree Festival



We hope you saw the fantastic tree the children made for this event. Our tree this year was based in the story "The perfect Christmas Tree" and was made using the Christmas trees produced by the children and their parents who attended our recent decoration afternoon. Our entry came 2nd in the Children's category and 3rd in the overall favourite category. Thank you to all those who voted for us.



Children's Christmas Craft Afternoon – Preschool Fundraiser

We still have spaces available for the Children's Christmas craft afternoon taking place this Saturday. Children, and their supervising adult, will be able to produce a table arrangement and small Christmas tree decoration under the guidance of Jo Grey. The preschool ladies will also be on hand with other Christmas crafts, biscuit decorating, and face painting. Tickets are £15 each or two for £25. There are no hidden extras all of this is included in your ticket price. This event is open to all children and would be fantastic to see as many people there as possible to support us.

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Congratulations to Callum for being our star of the week. Callum received this for overcoming new challenges and growing in confidence in new and different situations. Also for being a fantastic cow in the Preschool nativity. We look forward to hearing about Callum's and Ollie Bear's adventures next week.

Ollie Bear, or Firefighter Ollie Bear as he now wishes to be called, had a fantastic week with Cillian and loved spending time at the fire station with Cillian and his daddy

C H R I S T M A S spells Christmas



WOW! What an amazing nativity performance we had on Sunday. Thank you to all of the children who took part and to everyone who came along to watch. We think we can all agree that the children were very enthusiastic about their singing and that they were total superstars.

Christmas Jumper Day – Fri 13th Dec

The staff will be wearing their Christmas jumpers tomorrow and we would like to invite any children in during these sessions to join us. This event is organised by Save the Children. We are not collecting any donations but if you would like to make a donation then please look at their website.

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/about>

Allison Piotrowski, Preschool Manager

Hayleigh Butler, Chairperson

Preschool Raffle



Please return all ticket stubs, unsold tickets and money to preschool by Friday 13th December. Winners will be announced on Monday 16th December.

Visit from OFSTED

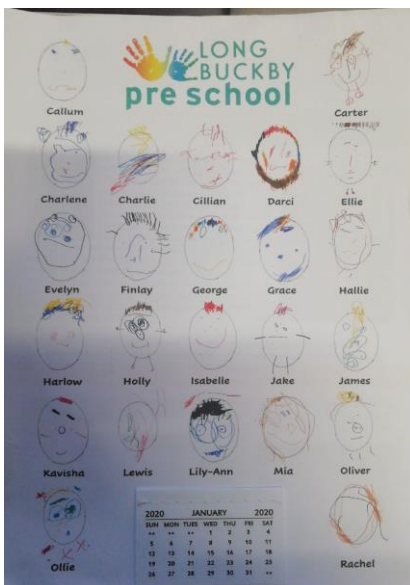
Many thanks to all the parents for their support during the visit from OFSTED on Monday. Once the outcome of the visit is known the Preschool Committee will be writing to all parents.

Christmas Party – Fri 20th Dec, 12.15-3pm

8 more sleeps until the party. We are looking forward to Mr Bubbles the magician and a visit from the man in the Red suit. If your child is not normally with us on a Friday please come in by **12.15pm**. Children who are with us all day may bring a change of clothes for the afternoon if the wish. **NO PACKED LUNCHES NEEDED AS PRESCHOOL WILL BE PROVIDING THE FOOD.** If you have not yet brought in your £1 donation towards the cost of the food please do so.



Parents and carers are invited to come back in to preschool at a slightly earlier time of 2:20pm prior to the arrival of Santa at 2:30pm. Younger siblings are more than welcome to attend. Could we please ask if you could let us know if you are planning to bring a younger sibling, as we then may be able to also ensure there is something in Santa's sack for them.



Preschool Calendar

Once again we will be selling the Preschool Calendar. These will cost £2 each or 3 for £5. These need to be pre-ordered and will be available from next week.

School Applications

Don't miss the deadline for applying for a school place for September 2020.

You have until Wednesday 15th January 2019 at 5pm to apply.

Dates for the Diary

Term 2

Sat 14 th Dec	Christmas Craft Afternoon
Fri 20 th Dec	Preschool Christmas Party
Fri 20 th Dec	Preschool Closes

Term 3

Mon 6 th Jan	Preschool Opens
Wed 15 th Jan	Final day for school applications
Fri 14 th Feb	Preschool Closes

Term 4

Mon 24 th Feb	Preschool Opens
Thu 2 nd Apr	Preschool Closes

Term 5

Mon 20 th Apr	Preschool Opens
Fri 22 nd May	Preschool Closes

Term 6

Mon 1 st Jun	Preschool Opens
Fri 17 th Jul	Preschool Closes