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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back after the break, we are now on the countdown for Christmas and will be starting all our fun activities.

As we are approaching the Christmas holidays the funding will stop on Friday 12th December, if you have stretched your funding then this will cover you for the last week. If you request childcare for the week commencing 15th December this must be booked in advance by letting a member of staff know, so we can staff accordingly. This week's sessions will be charged at full price if you book in. **These will need to be booked in by Wednesday 12th November.**

Fundraising

Unfortunately, our annual Christmas shopping night is not going ahead due to lack of support and stalls for the night. We will however run our own fun games and stalls throughout next week. Week commencing 10th November. Look out for our games and prizes all week, Thursday and Friday we will also be selling cakes. These will be from 3.00 every day. Make sure you all bring some money when collecting your children, so they can take part and help us to raise some funds.

Policies

All policies are available on our website and are updated regularly for you to access.

News

Our Christmas parties this year will be held on Wednesday 17th December 9.00-3.00 and 3.30-5.30 for after-school. Please let a member of staff know if your child is attending and we ask for a £2.00 donation towards food. As always, this party is free to all children and nursery will not charge you for attending.

Health and Safety

To keep all staff and other children well, a kind reminder that sickness and diarrhoea is 48 hours from the last episode. Also, if your child has had their flu spray or any vaccinations, they must remain off from nursery for 24 hours due to reactions.

Please remember to close the pre-school gate when you enter and leave as it is important to keep the children safe.

For those children who have packed lunches, can you please ensure that you cut up your child's grapes as these can be a choking hazard and that we are advised not to give popcorn to children at nursery due to choking. We are a **NUT FREE** nursery due to allergies. Packed lunches must be healthy and not full of processed food, which is not a well-balanced diet.

Important Dates

Monday 3rd November - Funding Begins

Monday 10th - 14th November - Christmas fun and games all week - FUNDRAISING

Friday 14th November - Children In Need

Monday 17th November - AGM - All welcome

Friday 12th December - Funding Ends (For those that don't stretch their funding)

Wednesday 17th December - Nursery (Grinch), Preschool (Polar Express) and Afterschool

Christmas party £2.00 if attending

Wednesday 24th December - NURSERY CLOSES FOR CHRISTMAS

Monday 5th January - Nursery opens and funding begins