



WINTER TERM 2021 NEWSLETTER



Welcome back to the Term 2! During half term we enjoyed the fun of Halloween, and we will soon be learning about the more significant celebration of Remembrance. As a nursery we are very traditional and feel it is hugely important to learn about why we wear poppies and remember others. As the term progresses up to Christmas, we have lots of exciting learning opportunities to fit in! Each of the nursery rooms will still have their own child chosen themes and interests running alongside our usual seasonal learning - so **labelled coats, hats, gloves and wellies** are a must for all ages to explore our woodland garden. If you would like to buy a warm and cosy TBN fleece for the winter just email the office.



Please remember if your child wears nappies in the Butterfly or Barn Owl Rooms, we do ask that you supply them with adequate supplies. As the Butterfly Room is the latest room to be decorated over the half term, we are planning an open day in the New Year so we can show off all our rooms to you. It has been so different with Covid guidance preventing us from having extra adults in the building, so we hope (if restrictions allow) to open our doors and combine it with a celebration our 10th birthday!



Weather permitting the Butterfly and Barn Owl children will still be able to continue with their PE sessions each Wednesday with Miss Ellie. We will review it on a weekly basis, and should the time come to postpone it for the winter period we will organise a refund for your contributions to the cost. Yoga with Miss Maxine will continue for the Barn Owls. We said goodbye to Miss Rachel at the end of last term, who

was our regular member of bank staff. Rachel has moved on to pastures new after 8 years with us. Miss Karen, our other regular member of bank staff, has joined us for a couple of months to help in the interim until her baby is born early next year.

As always, we will be joining in with the fun for Children in Need on **Friday 19th November**. This year we invite everyone to come dressed in their pyjamas or wacky hair and join in the fun for this good cause!



For those of you who are still undecided about primary schools please remember that all applications needed to be submitted to Wiltshire Council by **15th January 2022**. We advise doing this online at <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-online> if you need any help with the process please do not hesitate to ask Miss Sarah to help avoid any late applications and avoid any unnecessary disappointment.

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Please remember if you are intending to apply for your 30 hours of funding for January 2022 this needs to be done online and the code given to us by mid-December at the latest. Those of you currently in receipt of this may also need to check your code has not expired as it will need updating. <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

As Christmas approaches the children will be learning about the meaning of Christmas as well as being very busy making beautiful creations to take home. The Butterfly and Barn Owl children will also start to practice their Christmas Nativity play this term with the final production being staged Friday 17th December at 2.30pm. We have provisionally booked the church; however, it is doubtful we can use this due to the ongoing Covid restrictions. If this is the case, we propose an outdoor performance at nursery to which you are all invited. **Please be aware that the nursery will close promptly at 2.15 pm on this day so everyone can attend, and warm clothing will be essential.**



• **IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- **Diwali – Thursday 4th November 2021**
- **Bonfire Night – Friday 5th November 2021**
- **Remembrance Day – Thursday 11th November 2021**
- **Road Safety week – Monday 15th November 2021**
- **World Nursery Rhyme Week – Monday 15th November 2021**
- **Christmas Party ALL CHILDREN INVITED – Thursday 9th December 2021**
- **Christmas lunch – Wednesday 15th December 2021**
- **Nativity – Friday 17th December 2021 & End of Funded Term**
- **Close for Christmas – Thursday 23rd December 2021 at 4pm**
- **Nursery opens – Tuesday 4th January 2022**
- **Start of Funded Term for Funding Entitlement – Monday 10th January 2022**
- **School Applications to be submitted – Saturday 15th January 2022**
- **End of Funded Term – Friday 18th February 2022**
- **Start of Funded Term for Funding Entitlement – Monday 28th February 2022**