

Christmas 2023 Newsletter!

Burghclere Pre-School and Toddler Group



What have we been doing?

This month has been a pretty busy one.

Hopefully you saw the beautiful poppies that the children made and were sent home. You would also have seen our stunning Christmas cards that all of the children made with such pride! We really hope that you loved seeing their creations.

You may have been told by your little one that we have a brand new 'Hygiene Station'. Full of mirrors, tissues, sanitiser and instructions on how to keep our hands and nose clean! Please do encourage your child/ren to use a tissue rather than their sleeves when they need to wipe their nose!

Parents Meeting

Parents meetings will be happening in January when we come back for all children that we didn't see in July, before the year finished.

More information will be available when we are starting the booking process.

Keep your eyes peeled!

Term Dates!

End of Term – Friday 15th December (1pm finish)

Inset day - Tuesday 2nd January

Back to School – January 3rd 2024

Half Term – Monday 12th – Friday 16th February

Back to Preschool – Monday 19th February

Easter Break – Monday 1st April – Friday 12th April

Inset Day – Monday 15th April

Back to Preschool – Tuesday 16th April

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY(S)!!!

This is held on BOTH Thursday 8th December
and Friday 15th December.

This way we get the most out of all the lovely
Christmas jumpers the children have!

LUNCH BOXES

Allergies

We have children at the setting with **severe NUT and EGG allergies**, please DO NOT put anything with either of these into your child's lunch boxes. Having either of these can cause a life threatening illness. E.G **Chocolate spread, certain cereal bars.**

ALL GRAPES AND MINI COCKTAIL SAUSAGES MUST BE CUT LENGTH WAYS IN HALF.

WE STILL HAVE GRAPES COMING INTO PRE SCHOOL NOT CUT LENGTHWAYS. THEY WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FROM YOUR CHILD.

THIS IS ONE OF THE EASIEST WAYS FOR YOUR CHILD TO CHOKE TO DEATH. CUT THEM LONG WAYS PLEASE!

5 MINUTES OF YOUR TIME IN THE MORNING IS NOTHING COMPARED TO WHAT THE OUTCOME COULD BE FOR YOUR CHILD!!!!

Christmas Nativity Play!

We are holding our Nativity play on Friday 8th December.
All are welcome, including Grandparents and family friends!

Please drop off as usual at 9am.

We will be starting between 9.15 to 9.30am, followed by a visit from Father Christmas himself!

Children that do not normally attend a Friday session will need to be dropped off with others at 9am and taken home after the festive activities. If your child does NOT usually attend on a Friday, please bring them in to preschool WEARING the costume that will be given to you.

If your child is usually in on a Friday, we shall get them changed in to their costumes pre and post nativity.



Christmas Raffle

This year's Christmas raffle will take place after the Nativity on Friday 8th December. We are selling raffle tickets at £1.00 a ticket for some superb prizes. Please ensure all sold, unsold and money is back to preschool by Wednesday 6th December, so we have time to fold tickets!

We will have the all-time favourites of mince pies and refreshments at the Nativity/Christmas Raffle.

School Sweatshirts and T-Shirts

We have a lovely selection of pre-school sweatshirts and t-shirts in a range of colours!

The sizes are aged 3-4 & aged 5 -6.

The sweatshirts are £9.00 and the t-shirts are £6.50.

This is a fantastic way of protecting your child's favourite clothes, we do have messy play and at some point they may get paint, mud etc on their clothes. We hope that washing machines that get it all out but we can't guarantee anything!

CHRISTMAS PARTY!

We will be holding a Christmas party for **ALL** children on Friday 15th December.

If your child does not attend a Friday and you would like them to participate please bring them in to preschool for 11am.

We will have party games and a festive lunch so NO packed lunch boxes that day please – but please bring their drinks.

ALL CHILDREN NEED TO BE COLLECTED AT 1PM

We will be asking for food contributions towards the party, paper plates will be coming home with you child/ren at the beginning of that week with their names on. On the plate there will be a food that we would kindly ask you to bring back in for the party.

Remember to wear Christmas jumpers!



From the Burghclere team – Hayley & All The Staff xx