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Lyneham Newsletter,
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Dear Parents / Carer

I can't believe it is that time of the year again. The season to be jolly, so let's let the fun begin.

Reception Class Dress Rehearsal, Monday 12th December 11am – the pre-school children have been invited to watch the reception children's dress rehearsal. If you would like to join us and help us walk the children across, please let Claire know so we can confirm numbers with the school.

Term dates – Our last day of term is Friday 16th December, finishing at 3pm. We return Monday 9th January.

December Dates

Christmas Play, Thursday 15th

December 10.00am – if your child is in the setting during the morning session they will be taken across, in costume and ready, for the performance by the staff. Parts for preschool children will be allocated at the beginning of December and we hope that you will be able to provide a simple costume, we will let you know what part your child will play ASAP. Please bring any costume items into the setting in a labelled bag by Wednesday 14th December. If your child is not due in that morning please bring them in costume and ready for the performance to the School hall at 9.55am. Parents will be allowed into the hall before the performance at 10am. As long as there are no objections from parents you will be able to take photos on the day; please let us know if you do not want your child

to be photographed. If providing a costume for your child is difficult please ask a staff member for help.

Please also remember that our younger children will not be having a main part in the play but are invited to join in with the singing with their parents and come along in their Christmas outfits.

Christmas Cards

Children are invited to write Christmas cards to their friends and post them in the Christmas post box stationed in the pre-school cloakroom from Thursday 1st December. Christmas card lists will be available to help you with children's names.

Christmas Party: Sunday 4th Dec

All the tickets have been given out now and we are really looking forward to seeing everyone that is coming.

Christmas Fayre, Friday 9th

December - We have been invited to hold a fundraising stall at the Primary school Christmas Fayre. We will be creating a snowball lucky dip stall, with a Frozen theme and would appreciate donations of children's sweets or small party bag toys for prizes. All money raised will be used to purchase new equipment for the children in the setting. We do hope parents will come along and support us. Elsa might be there!

Christmas fun week

A week of fun and games

Monday 12th – snow fun

Tuesday 13th & Wed 14th –
Christmas Games

Thursday 15th – Christmas Play

Friday 16th – Christmas Jumper
Day



Stories of the Month

This Month we will be linking our stories with Christmas and reading 'Father Christmas Needs a Wee' by Nicholas Allan and 'Shhh!' by Julie Sykes and Tim Warnes. The children will also be learning about the Christmas Nativity story.



Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star,
How I wonder what you are
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky,
Twinkle, twinkle little star,
How I wonder what you are?

I'm a little Snowman

I'm a little Snowman
Short and fat
Here's my scarf and here's my hat
When the snow is falling
Come and play
Build a snowman everyday

Best Wishes

We hope you have a fantastic
Christmas and Happy New Year



Community Event:

Christmas Tree Festival Competition Friday 2nd - 4th December -

The children have been invited to decorate a Christmas tree at St Michael's Church as part of the community Christmas fund-raising appeal. We would love to win and hope that every parent will visit the church over the weekend, show their support, view the trees and vote for their favourite!! No pressure but I'm sure when you see your child's owl twinkling on our tree, themed 'Owl Babies', you'll be won over.

We will be taking some of the children across to decorate our tree on Thursday 1st December and would appreciate parent/carer helpers to help us walk over to the church.

Children In Need

We raised £54 for Children In Need – the children had great fun dressing up and raised money for a worthy cause -a huge thank you for your support.



Huge Thank you

We are very grateful to Normandy Company Personnel in 8th Training Battalion for their kind donation of £460, which they raised by running the Stroud Half Marathon. The children have decided to spend the money on new outside toys and are very excited.

Recipe Month

Christmas Biscuits

Ingredients

250g Plain flour,
75g caster sugar,
1 egg,
125g Butter
Plain Biscuit add: 1 teaspoon
baking powder
Chocolate Biscuit add 25g cocoa
powder

Method

Use a wooden spoon to mix the flour, butter, vanilla essence, sugar and baking powder until it looks like breadcrumbs. Add the egg and mix with wooden spoon until it forms a dough. Sprinkle flour onto work surface and roll out the dough with rolling pin. Don't press too hard. Dip cutters in flour before cutting out a selection of shapes. Place biscuits on greased baking tray. Bake for 15 minutes at 180 c, mark 4. Allow to cool and decorate with icing or sprinkles.

