



 **DECEMBER NEWSLETTER** 



Aimee, Day Care Manager

We have a very busy month ahead for the children making all of our Christmas decorations and cards. Christmas lunch for the children is on Wednesday 14th December, so please let a member of staff know if your child wishes to have this. They will be having their Christmas parties on Friday 16th December with a visit from Father Christmas in the afternoon.

Friday 16th December is Christmas Jumper day, so it would be lovely to see everyone in their festive jumpers.

Please remember that our last day is Friday 23rd December and we will return to Nursery on Tuesday 3rd January 2017.

I would like to wish everyone a lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Alice, Babies and Toddlers Manager

It's Christmas so it's time to start our Christmas creative crafts, including baubles, stockings, Christmas puddings and lots more. The children are also going to be exploring a sensory tub filled with scented rice and Christmas

decorations; the children will be encouraged to explore the different textures and encouraged to listen and move to the sounds around them.

The children have been loving their family books, so if you haven't yet brought in family photos you can always email them in, thanks Alice.



Claire, Tiddles Manager

December in the Tiddles room is full of glitter, tinsel and Christmas cheer. There will be lots of creative activities so that the children have some keepsakes to bring home at the end of term. The children will be exploring Christmas decorations for sensory play, so hopefully they won't wreck your Christmas trees at home!

We hope you have a magical festive season from all of the Tiddles staff.



Sarah, Littles Manager and Deputy Day Care Manager

Merry Christmas to all our lovely Little's parents, this month our theme is Christmas! The Little's children will be taking part in some exciting Christmas activities, including; creating their own Christmas cards, making a variety of footprints and handprints and decorating their own Christmas folders. They will also be making a variety of tree decorations, and helping to make the Christmas playdough and salt dough and other exciting activities. To start the Christmas month off, Littles will be making and decorating their own gingerbread men. Wednesday 14th December will be the children's Christmas lunch and we will be having a Christmas party and visit from Santa on Friday 16th December.

Just a little reminder to please put your child's name on any piece of their clothing and to please take home any art work that may still be in their red book bags outside the Little's door. From the Little's team we hope you have an amazing Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Lynn, Pre-School Manager

The countdown has begun! This month our focus is all things Christmas of course! The children will be creating crafts including Father Christmas, reindeers and snowmen. They will also be using their senses to explore our sensory Christmas box – filled with Christmas smells, lights and sounds.

Our cooking activities include reindeer brownies, rice krispies, Christmas trees and melted snowman biscuits; we will also be making up some special reindeer food for the children to sprinkle outside on Christmas Eve.

We will be arranging a visit to our local Parish church to celebrate Christingle. The children will be singing our Christmas songs at the donkey sanctuary on the 13th and 15th of December; tickets are on sale at £1.00 each, please ask a member of staff for more details.

Our Chef Mark will be serving our Christmas lunch on Wednesday 14th and we will finish off the week with a Christmas party on Friday 16th, with a very special guest coming to visit the children!! Lastly as we look forward to celebrating Christmas, we will be learning about Hanukkah – the Jewish festival of light which starts on the 24th of December.

The Pre-school team would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and peaceful New Year.

Yay! December has finally landed! In our after school club we will be turning our after school room into a winter wonderland! We've already been hard at work making our grotto; we will be adding all our finishing touches and decorating our room too. Each week throughout December we will be making lots of sparkly beautiful decorations! We will also be doing some yummy Christmas baking, making some yummy peppermint creams, some side of mug gingerbread biscuits and some cheesy Christmas stars.

As you may already know on Thursday 15th December we are holding a Christmas movie night, to help our parents out with some time away from your little ones to get some late night shopping done, or just some time to do some present wrapping! We will be asking for a donation of a minimum £1.50 per child to go toward a film and some snacks. It will be from 6.15pm-8pm. We welcome you to bring your child in wearing their pyjamas. If you'd like some more information just pop in and talk to myself or Sennen. Also don't forget we have Christmas half term at the end of the month, if you'd like to book in please speak to Aimee or Vicky. There is a festive itinerary available in the after school room. Merry Christmas.



Allana, Out of School & Holiday Club Manager

Yay! December has finally landed! In our After School Club we will be turning our After School Room into a winter wonderland! We've already been hard at work making our grotto; we will be adding all our finishing touches and decorating our room too. Each week throughout December we will be making lots of sparkly beautiful decorations! We will also be doing some yummy Christmas baking, making some yummy peppermint creams, some side of mug gingerbread biscuits and some cheesy Christmas stars. As you may already know on Thursday 15th December we are holding a Christmas movie night, to help our parents out with some time away from your little ones to get some late night shopping done, or just some time to do some present wrapping! We will be asking for a donation of a minimum £1.50 per child to go toward a film and some snacks. It will be from 6.15pm-8pm. We welcome you to bring your child in wearing their pyjamas. If you'd like some more information just pop in and talk to myself or Sennen. Also don't forget we have Christmas Holiday Club at the end of the month, if you'd like to book in please speak to Aimee or Vicky. There is a festive itinerary available in the after school room or take a look here or on our Website. Merry Christmas!

Monday 19th December 2016: Our Christmas holidays have begun, and so will the fun! Today we will be starting our Christmas break doing some Christmas crafts! We will be creating our own Christmas cards to give to our loved ones. We will also be getting the origami paper out and seeing what festive creations we can find and have a go at doing. We will also be finding something special and creating some funny festive jokes to go inside our handmade Christmas crackers! We will also be doing some festive face painting too!

Tuesday 20th December 2016: As its Christmas, there is only one man we really want to see, and of course that's Father Christmas! Today we will be packing up our lunches and heading over to Trebah Gardens for the day to take part in the Robin Run and join Toboggan Robin on a tongue twisting trail through the garden. After some lunch we will be going to see the big man himself and tell him our Christmas wishes. Additional cost of £5.00 which includes entry to the gardens and a visit to Father Christmas.

Wednesday 21st December 2016: Today is our annual baking day, and of course we have to keep the tradition of gingerbread houses. We will be constructing and cooking our very own gingerbread houses. Once they are baked we will be making a chocolate pastry twist as we wait for the gingerbread to cool down. Once that's cooled we can start making our cement, and preparing the sweeties ready to create something magical!

Thursday 22nd December 2016: Today we will be making a slow roast hot chocolate in the slow cooker ready for our afternoon chill out! In the morning we will be using our special cookie cutters to make some miniature shortbread biscuits to hang on the side of our mugs for the afternoon, ready for our super chocolatey hot chocolate! Whilst our biscuits are cooking we will be making some gingerbread clay ornaments.

Friday 23rd December 2016: Today it's Christmas Eve Eve so we will be celebrating the best way possible. We will be having a party! In the morning we will be exploring outside, looking high and low on the search for candy canes! After that we will be prepping our food ready for our Christmas party! We will be playing some Christmas games and having some Christmas music on ready for some dancing! *Don't forget if you would like to bring some nartv clothes to get changed into you're more than welcome to.*

