



The Heathers Nursery NEWSLETTER

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at nursery!

THE CARPETS ARE SPARKLING WITH GLITTER AND LOTS OF RANDOM ITEMS FOR CHRISTMAS CRAFT ARE BEING DELIVERED!

We begin our Christmas planning each year in September and this year we've tried to make it extra special for the children because this year has been so exceptional for everyone.

Being unable to run our usual **Christmas Story Café** event due to the restrictions placed on all of us with the ongoing Covid situation, we have had to think of other ways of fundraising this year. If you've followed our Facebook fundraising page (The Heathers Nursery Fundraising Page) you will be aware of the amazing prize draws our committee have been running over the past few weeks. We have lots more prizes to give away so please give the page a like and help raise funds for us – we do spend every penny on new resources for the children so your donations have an immediate impact.

SPENDING SPREE!

This term we've already bought a new trampoline, a Bilibo (google it, they are brilliant!), new dressing up shoes and following a very generous donation of **£500.00** from our Broadland District Councillors, we are awaiting delivery of a fleet of Little Tikes cars, trailers, petrol pumps, balance bikes and a tractor!

Christmas fundraising at nursery!

NEXT WEEK WE LAUNCH OUR CHRISTMAS
FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN WITHIN NURSERY
WHEN WE WILL BE SELLING:



MAGIC REINDEER FOOD

£1



MAGIC SANTA KEY

£2



MEMORY BAUBLE

£2

Keep an eye on our private nursery
Facebook group as these items are
exclusively for nursery families on a first come,
first served basis.

DETAILS ON HOW TO ORDER WILL BE EMAILED OUT NEXT WEEK

WELCOME TO

Alice, Saugat, Eddie, Isabelle, Lilly-Rose,
Willow, Evie & Joshua

*We hope you all enjoy your
time with us!*

BIRTHDAYS

Happy 4th Birthday

Honey, Stefanija,
Nathan & Matei

Happy 3rd Birthday

Millie-Rose, Savannah,
Daisy & Sophia

Happy news...

After such a difficult year, it is lovely to have happy news to share with you all – we are delighted to announce that **April** is expecting her first baby in early summer! Another nursery baby for us to celebrate! We are sure you will join us in congratulating **April** and wishing her every happiness for the future.

COMMUNITY LOTTERY

We have also been accepted into the Broadland District Council Community Lottery which launches

in the new year and will provide another easy way of fundraising for us and the chance to win cash prizes for our supporters.



Christmas Plans

Each child will receive a gift bag during the last week of Christmas containing a book, their Christmas card, a treat, a DIY angel kit and a set of handheld bells. There is a world wide social media

campaign called **Worldwide Santa's Christmas Eve Jingle**

aiming to get people around the world to stand on their doorsteps at 6pm on Christmas Eve to ring bells and send Santa on his way. We wanted to make sure our children could join in with this and have their own doorstep event like we had for carers during the first lock down.



Father Christmas

usually joins us at our Story Café but due to Covid we have had to ask him to change his plans.

Father Christmas will be reading a bedtime story on **Wednesday 23rd December** on Zoom at around 6.15pm.

The story is

Angels Great Escape

and we'd love you to bring your home made angels to show **Father Christmas** while he reads our bedtime story! Our Zoom call will start at **6pm** and we may have a '**very special Elf**' making something yummy that you could leave out for **Father Christmas** along with your reindeer oats! The Zoom invitation will be sent out nearer the time but please mark the date!

There will be lots of Christmas crafts, lots of Christmas music and songs (When Santa got stuck up the chimney is a nursery favourite!) and yummy treats in the last week of term – can you tell we're excited already?!

We hope that you all have a lovely Christmas and New Year.



REMINDERS

TAPESTRY

We love to see your posts on Tapestry from home and would love for you to share Christmas from home with us via Tapestry so please keep adding! If you need help adding your own observations onto Tapestry, please let us know. Did you know there is an app too?



SNACK DONATIONS

We are now able to accept store cupboard donations for snack (bread sticks, crackers, rice cakes, tinned fish, tinned fruit, baked beans etc) which we can quarantine before bringing into nursery.

Alternatively, you can make monetary donations via BACS (**The Heathers Nursery 1029589, Sort code 60-15-31, Account number 23723467**) or cash into nursery.


We are dependent on donations to enable us to provide snack each day as government funding doesn't cover food or drink for the children.



BAD WEATHER

We will try and make closure decisions due to bad weather as early as possible but sometimes the decision is made for us by the school itself so please bookmark the following webpage in the event of bad weather:

http://www.disruptions.norfolk.gov.uk/ncclosures_schools.html

 **NAME EVERYTHING**



TERM DATES

This term ends on **Friday 18th December**. We return on **Monday 4th January** for the Spring term.

Norfolk term dates can be found here:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/term-dates-and-school-holidays>

OUR COVID YEAR

We have a big display board at nursery that is currently waiting for a themed display so we've decided to celebrate the amazing Covid year that we've all lived through and we need your help! Please share with us your memorable pictures of something you've experienced during 2020.

Please send your pictures in via Tapestry, email or print out (if you are happy for us to keep them.)



THANK YOU

TALK TO US

PLEASE

HI!

OH!

What to do if you have concerns or questions...

If you have any concerns about nursery at any time please let us know in any way you feel comfortable whether that's via email, a phone call with your key person, **Karen** or **Debbie**.

This ensures we can deal with concerns as soon as they are raised. Please don't leave a concern unspoken or wait until a questionnaire comes out or the end of term to let us know.

email: theheathersnursery@outlook.com
or call: **01603 485371**

REPORTING ABSENCE

Please remember to contact us in the morning when your child is absent from nursery. We have a legal duty to ensure each child is accounted for and will call you if we have not heard from you by 9.15am.

We now have the option of **text messaging** and **WhatsApp** available to you so that you can message us with absence.

The number is: **07515 820544**



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