



Monday 18th December to Friday 22nd December 2017

We cannot believe that we are in the last week of the Autumn term already. Thank you to all of you who joined us last week for the concerts and Christmas "sing a longs". I am sure you were all as proud as we were of all your children. Having the confidence to stand in front of an audience and to sing, dance and remember all the actions is a real achievement especially when you think that some of the children have only been coming to nursery school for a couple of months. It is something that many adults would find challenging. If you were unable to attend then look out on Tapestry for photos and videos of the rehearsals for the concert. Please leave a comment too so we know that you have had a look at them.

We hope you all have a very happy holiday and wish you all a Merry Christmas. Please don't forget to share photographs on Tapestry of you and your family celebrating Christmas or having fun with your family during the holidays.

Nursery School breaks up on **Friday 22nd December** for the Christmas holidays.

Nursery School opens for children at 8.30am on **Tuesday 9th January 2018**

Think Measles!

Health professionals are advising schools that there is a measles outbreak within Birmingham and a few other cities in the United Kingdom. We are not aware of any cases in Nursery School. Measles is highly infectious. It can be very unpleasant and sometimes lead to serious complications. Vaccination with 2 doses of MMR is the only way to protect children and young people. The first MMR vaccine is given to toddlers at the age of 13 months and the second injection at around 3 years and 4 months before your child goes to school. Contact your GP practice if your child needs an MMR vaccine. The vaccine is free. If you are not sure if your child needs an MMR vaccine, you can contact the GP to ask. Measles can affect anyone at any age. Teenagers, young adults and anyone who has missed their MMR vaccination can get measles. The first signs of measles are fever, cough, runny nose and red sore eyes. After a few days, a spotty rash will appear. It starts on the face and neck before spreading to the rest of the body. If you think your child has measles, ring your GP practice for advice. Don't turn up to the surgery; walk in centre or to your nearest accident and emergency without calling ahead. The doctor will make special arrangements to see your child so that if your child has measles so that they won't pass it on to others.

If you would like more information, see www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles

Please don't forget to phone us to tell us if your child is going to be absent.

The office is open from 7.30am until 6.00pm

The school telephone number is 0121 675 3408 Add it to your phone contacts.

Snacks and fruit or vegetables for the café

In order that we can provide healthy snacks each day in the cafe for the children please can children in the Bumblebees group bring in a few pieces of fruit, some vegetables or some breadsticks or crackers this week? If you are not sure what to bring please ask your child's keyworker. After the holidays it will be the turn of the Caterpillars group.



Christmas parties:

Wednesday 20th December - Party morning for children in the Hedgehogs, Robins (Mon-Wed children) Morning Caterpillars and Morning Bumblebees.

Parents are invited to join us at 10.45am for some songs and a festive visitor!

Friday 22nd December - Party day for by children in Hedgehogs and Robins (Wed- Friday), Rabbits, Squirrels, Afternoon Caterpillars and Afternoon Bumblebees.

Parents are invited to join us at 1.45pm for some songs and a festive visitor!

If your child wishes to wear party clothes they must still have appropriate shoes and coats for playing outside. Please ensure their name is on their clothes!

We are pleased to announce that our
Winter Wonderland Disco raised

£427.30

towards our school funds.

Thank you to everyone who supported
us in raising this money.

Reception Class online applications for September 2018

The deadline for applying online is

15th January 2018

Please let the office know if you have any
difficulties with your application.



Please remember the Food bank when you are shopping this week.

**Just pop an extra item into your basket and leave it in the food bin in our
reception area.**

**Many families in the Erdington area will rely on the Food bank to enable them
to have a meal at Christmas as they are experiencing financial crises.**