



# Newsletter Term 3 November 2021 - Page 1



## Happy New Year!

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### Wednesday's January 2021

This is proving to be popular please let us know if you would like to extend your Wednesday to 1pm.

### COVID-19 Reminders

- Please remember to social distance with other parents and wear face coverings
- Book bags not needed
- Please leave own toys etc. at home
- Do remember to sanitise hands on way in

**Thank you for your continuing support**

### Term Dates

**Term 3** - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February  
**Term 4** - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March  
**Term 5** - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May  
**No Pre-school** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, due to Bank Holiday  
**Term 6** - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

### Interest Tray for Parental Involvement - phonic sounds

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Week 6 - s

Week 7 - t

Check the 'Activity Tab' on Tapestry for the sound of the week video.

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## Christmas

We were delighted with how enthusiastic the children sang in the Christmas Shows. Thank you for helping them learn their songs.

Watch out for something this term!

Thank you for collecting your child's Christmas box, hope they were a lovely surprise for you.

## Winter Weather

On occasion the green gate entrance becomes flooded. You will be notified by text or Facebook if we need to use the school entrance in the churchyard. Please refer to recent memo on Tapestry titled 'Wet Weather'.

## Tapestry Interaction

Your input on Tapestry is amazing, please keep your photos, videos and comments coming, we love to see them!!

## Internet Safety

Lots of children are now accessing age appropriate apps for recreation and education. Part of our safeguarding training includes helping children understand how to stay safe online. There is a wealth of information for parents and families on how to keep children safe whilst using these programmes. More information and guidance can be found on Tapestry in the 'Documents Tab'.

## Illness

Please remember to leave at least 48 hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

With regard to illness related to COVID19 we will always refer to the most recent guidelines for Early Years and Childcare. We endeavour to keep you informed of all developments.



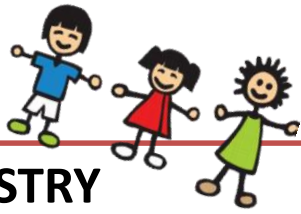
## Clothing and Footwear

Could you please dress your child in manageable clothing, this is to encourage independence at toilet times. Please name coats, hats, wellies, spare clothes/nappy bags etc (No plastic carriers please).

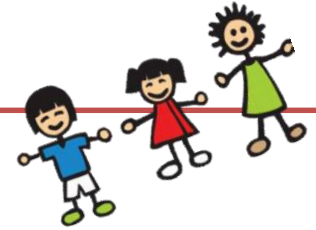
Nappy bags – please include nappy sacks.

If we use our spare clothes could you please return them promptly.

If your child wears wellies into pre-school can they please bring some footwear to wear indoors. Thank you.



# Everyday things to know



## TAPESTRY

**Tapestry is our main source of communication.**

IOS users can access Observations, Memos and Activities through the app, Android users can only assess Observations on the app at the moment.

This on line assessment tool is exciting and interactive, partnership with parents at its best. Add photos from home to share with us. 'Hitting' the like button tells us you have seen an observation.

Remember to check documents and memos for latest information.

Filling in the 'About Me' section is a fantastic way to share information about your child with their key person.

## Pre-school Fees

£15.50 a session- £5.20 an hour

## Pre-school Opening Times

Session times -

**Monday 9am - 12pm, 1pm or 3pm**

**Tuesday 9am - 12pm**

**Wednesday 9am - 12pm or 1pm**

**Thursday 9am - 12pm, 1pm or 3pm**

**Friday 9am - 12pm**

(packed lunch needed if they stay after 12pm)

Green gate opens - **9am**

Green gate closes - **9.15am**

Prompt pick up please, due to primary school security

## Pre-school Clothing

Your child will get dirty and messy at pre-school, we do have polo shirts and sweatshirts for you to purchase if you wish, £12.00 each.

## Lunch Boxes & Drink (Please name)

It has been highlighted that whole grapes and cherry tomatoes are a choking hazard. Please cut these length ways to eliminate the risk. Please do not include any nuts.

**Remember to include a drink and cutlery (if needed) in the lunch box too. Thank you.**