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# St Luke's Pre-School

Giving children the wish to learn Since 1966



## What we did in November:

Visited the local Sikh Temple and had a lovely walk back whilst looking at the local wildlife (squirrels, birds, rabbits...)





Learnt about Children in Need, raising money by buying Pudsey ears and bracelets; we had fun coming to school in our dressing up clothes. Thanks to your contributions we are proud to have been able to make a fabulous donation to our local Foodbank.





Had a visit from the Fire Brigade to learn about fire work safety. They taught us how to Stop Drop and Roll.

Wished Mrs. Cox a very happy birthday. Her youthful looks are due to a secret playdough recipe she uses nightly.



This month's phonetics' are:

G and H



All the news, weather warnings, event reminders and dates for your dairy, search for St Luke's Preschool (Rochester)

We also had our annual Breakfast with Father Christmas and a visit to his magical grotto. It was wonderful to see all of the children enjoying the magic and hope that everyone had a lovely time.



# **Decembers Events:**

**Tuesday 1st December** - dress rehearsal - photos taken of children in costumes and will be available to buy at the Christmas Play.

**Tuesday 8th December** - Christmas play performed by the morning children but afternoon children (with accompanying adults) are more than welcome.

The raffle will be drawn after the play.

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December -** Christmas Party for all children (morning and afternoon).

Christmas Draw

Raffle tickets still available – only 50p.

#### Prizes include

Luxury Food Hamper £50 Shozna voucher Meal for 2 at Olivier's Personalised jewellery by Pheebs & Beau, A Mini Mi Children's Boutique voucher And manv more!

Happy Birthday!

Sio and Poppy are 4

Johnpaul is 3

# Can't make it to school?

 Call us. Please let us know if your child will be absent by calling 01634 819809 on the day

# Not via Facebook! Can you help?

- Messages left on facebook page may not reach staff members.
- Tell us If you know you are going to be away ahead of time, just let the staff know when you see them or leave a message on the answerphone

# **Bad Weather**

In the event of adverse weather, the pre-school will endeavour to remain open during normal school hours.

However, it will be left to the discretion of parents to decide if it is safe for them to make the journey into school or not.

If it is necessary to close the school, for health and safety reasons, a message will be posted on www.kentschoolclosures.co.uk from approximately 7am letting you know if the school is closed.

Additionally, you can: check:

- our website www.stlukespre-school.co.uk www.bbc.co.uk/radiokent (listen on 96.7 & 10 4.2FM)
- www.heart.co.uk/kent (listen on 103.1 & 104.2FM);
- telephone the pre-school on 01634 819809 (Mrs Perkins will try to update the pre-school's telephone message if she can safely make it to pre-school)
- Facebook.

If the weather becomes adverse during the school day, parents may contact the school for further information or may decide to pick up their children early for safety reasons. If the school has to close early, you will be telephoned.

# Can you help?

Items for the Christmas Draws Festive Food Hamper please see the list of suggested items in the entrance hall.

**Donations of Homemade Festive themed cakes/biscuits** for the Christmas play on the 8<sup>th</sup> December. These will be sold during the plays' interval to raise funds for the Pre-School.

# Lunch box rules

- NO Nuts this is due to allergies and includes Nutella
- No Fruit juices squash etc., plain water only. Milk will be provided at lunch time
- Cut grapes and cocktail sausages length ways to help prevent chocking

Tasty Bites

# Strawberry Father Christmas'

I punnet Strawberries 1 tub of cream cheese 3tsp icing sugar 1 tsp of vanilla For or Chocolate chips



Cut off the tops and hollow out the insides of the strawberries

Beat the rest of the ingredients until creamy and place in a piping bag (or sandwich bag and snip one corner off). Fill the strawberries, with the cheese, place on the 'hat' and decorate with the seeds/chips for eyes and dots of cheese for the pompom and buttons.

# Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 1st December morning** - dress rehearsal **Tuesday 1st December - 1.30pm** Christmas shop; a chance for your children to buy Christmas gifts for their loved ones

**Thursday 3rd December** - 10.30am Christmas shop round 2!

**Tuesday 8th December** - Christmas play; Children arrive for 9:15, play starts 9:30

Tuesday 8th December - Christmas Draw Thursday 10th December - 9:15 Christmas party Thursday 10th December end of term. Monday 4th January - Afternoon session only

Tuesday 5th January - Morning sessions resume

#### PLEASE BE AWARE, THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH CLUB DURING THE LAST WEEK OF TERM

A big thank you to all of the committee, staff and parents that have helped towards making our Christmas activities and events so wonderful. We really do appreciate everyone's efforts, it means so much to everyone and especially to the children.

We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year

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