



**The Duckling Nursery Ltd**  
**Writtle Infant School**  
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## **Newsletter 2023/L**

**Wow!!!**

### **Another wonderful successful Duckling Autumn/Christmas Fayre.**

I think the Christmas festivities have definitely begun after the success of our fayre on Friday. It was lovely to see so many Duckling families and school families come through the door on such a chilly afternoon. Thank you to everyone for your kind donations, delicious homemade cakes and most of all your support on the day.

***We raised an amazing £1167.01***

#### **Christmas entertainment**

The children are having great fun practicing for their Christmas entertainment on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. We would like them brought to the school hall doors on the playground for 8.45am and we will begin the performance at approximately 9.00am. We hope all children will take part whether or not they attend a Tuesday morning session as this is always such a wonderful time for parents, children and staff. There are two seats for each child. Please let me know if you require more or if you will not need both. Please can the children come in Christmas jumpers or tops and bring an elf hat with their name on. Please let me know if your child will not be taking part in the entertainment.

#### **Christmas Party**

The children's Christmas party is on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 9-12 and we have booked some entertainment which we think will be very exiting for them. Please remember the children will not require a lunch box as we will be serving party food. The party is also for all children whether or not they attend a Friday session and we hope they will all be joining us. Please let me know if your child isn't coming.

#### **Christmas holiday club**

The holiday club on January 3<sup>rd</sup> (9-3), 4<sup>th</sup> (7.30-4.30) and 5<sup>th</sup> (7.30-2) will definitely be running. There are still places available on all days. Please let me know if you would like to book any days.

#### **Spring term topic**

The topic for the spring term is:

***Animal stories, rhymes and songs are what we love***  
***They could be about caterpillars, bears, cats or doves.***  
***When it's story time we listen with our ears***  
***When it's rhymes and songs we sing with our peers.***  
***Some are old favourites and some are new***  
***But they are always fun for me and you.***

We look forward to another exciting term ahead and welcome any ideas or resources you may wish to share with us.

#### **Dates**

We have now had the date confirmed for our annual Family Fun Day.

This will take place on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 12 - 3pm. It is always well supported and a great success. Please pop this date in your diaries and there will be further information in the New Year.

We have also changed the date of the nursery summer outing from Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Once again my apologies for this change however as we wanted to book HOPEFIELD ANIMAL SANCUARY it needed to be a Monday as they are closed on a Wednesday. More details regarding this will follow in the New Year.

**Term ends on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December and the new term begins on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**The Duckling staff wish all our families a  
Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year**

Mrs Homer