



# Teatimers Pre-School Newsletter



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## November 2018

### Dates for your Diary

14 & 15 Nov	Parents evenings
16 Nov	Children in Need
3 Dec	Nativity Dress rehearsal
4 Dec	Nativity
19 Dec	Pre-School Christmas Party 9.30-12.00pm
19 Dec	End of Term (12.00, no afternoon Pre-school)
3 Jan	Start of term
18-22 Feb	Half Term (Pre-School closed)
7 Mar	World Book Day
27 & 28 Mar	Parents evenings
5 April	End of term (12.00, no afternoon Pre-school)

### End of term

Term finishes at 12.00pm on Wednesday 19th December. There is no afternoon pre-school session on this day and you will not be charged for the session.

Pre-school returns on Thursday 3rd January.

## ParentZone

ParentZone is an app that gives you a new way of seeing what your child is up to and interacting with us. We are launching it this week and you will receive an email with your login details.

We have created a page on our website ([teatimers.com/ParentZone](http://teatimers.com/ParentZone)) with lots more information about what ParentZone can do for you.

ParentZone is new to us too, so any feedback or questions are most appreciated.

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### Nativity songs

We have now started teaching the children the songs for our Nativity play. Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the song words and it would be a great help if you could practice the songs at home, too.

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### Clothing

As the weather begins to change towards winter please remember to send appropriate clothing. All children need a warm coat as we go outside in all but the worst weather. Wellies can also be sent in if it is raining.

**Remember to name EVERYTHING**—coats, hats, gloves.... It makes it so much easier for us to re-unite lost clothing with the right person!



## **AND NOW TO CHRISTMAS.....**



### **NATIVITY - The First Christmas**

Our Nativity will be on Tuesday 4th December and the dress rehearsal is on Monday 3rd December. All children are invited to take part in the Nativity and a notice in our lobby lists which parts they will be playing. You will need to provide an appropriate costume for your child and they should come to Pre-school wearing it on both the dress rehearsal and performance days, please.

Children should be in Pre-school by 9.00 a.m. on both days as the rehearsal and the performance both start at 9.30 a.m.

If your child does not normally attend on a Monday morning, please collect them at 10.30am after the dress rehearsal.

Please apply for tickets to watch the performance on the attached reply slip. Due to space limitations and fire regulations in the school hall we need to restrict tickets to 2 per family. Any spare tickets will be issued on a first come first served basis.

If you are unable to attend the performance on the Tuesday, please speak to us we may be able to arrange for you to see the dress rehearsal on the Monday.

We will be serving coffee and mince pies in the hall before the performance and again afterwards whilst the children are taken back to Pre-school for a drink and snack. Your children will then be ready to collect from the Teatimers building after the performance. We would expect the Nativity to be finished by 10.30 am.

We would like to run a Tombola at this event and we would be grateful for your donations of chocolates, bottles, toiletries and other gifts. These can be brought into the Teatimers office from Monday 26 November, please.



### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Our Pre-school Christmas party is on Wednesday 19th December 9.30am - 12.00pm. This is our chance to celebrate Christmas with the children and give them a great end to the year. We will have party games and music with party food to finish. We are hoping Father Christmas will drop in and see us too!

It is open to all pre-school children, regardless of whether they normally come to Pre-school on a Wednesday morning. Please let us know if your child will be coming to the party on the attached reply slip.

The Christmas Party costs £5 per child and will be invoiced on your January Pre-school bill.

**CHRISTMAS REPLY SLIPS - Please return to the office as soon as possible.**

**Child's name:** .....

Would like to be in the Pre-school Nativity on Tuesday 4th December and will be attending the dress rehearsal on Monday 3rd December. (All children who want to be in the Nativity must attend this session too)

I would like ..... tickets for the performance, maximum 2 tickets per family. Any spare tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please give the number of extra tickets required, if available .....

**Signed** .....

✂.....

**Child's name:**.....

Will **NOT** be in the Pre-school Nativity on Tuesday 4th December and will **NOT** be attending the dress rehearsal on Monday 3rd December.

**Signed** .....

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**Child's name:**.....

\*Will / Will not be attending the Pre-school Christmas party on Wednesday 19th December.

(\*please delete as appropriate)

I understand the £5 cost of the party will be invoiced in January 2019.

**Signed** .....

## Nativity Songs - Please learn at home

### Little Donkey

Little Donkey, little Donkey on a dusty road  
Got to keep on plodding onwards  
With your precious load

### Away in a Manger

Away in a Manger, no crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head,  
The stars in the bright sky look down where he lay  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

### Come and Join the Celebration

Come and join the celebration  
It's a very special day  
Come and share our jubilation  
There's a new King born today!  
Yeahhhhhh!!! (jazz hands)

### Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Twinkle, twinkle little star  
How I wonder what you are  
Up above the world so high  
Like a diamond in the sky  
Twinkle, twinkle little star  
How I wonder what you are

### Jingle Bells

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way.  
Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh,  
Hey! **(punch the air while shouting "Hey!")**

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way  
Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh!

**Hey! (punch air again)**

### Father Christmas

Father Christmas, Father Christmas  
He got stuck, he got stuck  
Coming down the chimney  
Coming down the chimney  
What bad luck,  
What bad luck

### We wish you a merry Christmas

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