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Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2020



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### This month at Preschool!

What a month it has been, we have had many celebrations and festivals in November – we have had bonfire night, Remembrance Day and Diwali.

The Children have enjoyed here learning around the above topics as well as adding their own interests in to learning. We are giving all children a chance to add into their learning by adding 'on the spot planning' to our weekly planning. This means that if the children have an interest or idea, we can use it in the planning straight away to support their learning, you as parents can also help support this by sharing home life with us via tapestry.

### NEF Funding

If you are entitled to 2 & 3-year-old funding. Please can you complete the funding forms that have been issued last week and return ASAP. If you already receive funding and your circumstances have changed please can you update your details with us as this could affect your claim. We cannot be held responsible for your funding and fees as it is each individual families responsibility to provide us with the correct information. If you have not received an funding form and believe are entitled to funding please contact us.

### Forest school

What fun we have had at Forest School in November! The children have enjoyed learning about the season Autumn, we have explored different environments around our village including the orchard, the woods and the lake. We celebrated Bonfire night by creating our very own 'leafy bonfire' and we even held a sparkler! Together we made a leaf wreath to commemorate Remembrance Day, we were so pleased with how it turned out and took it to the memorial statue at the Church on Remembrance Day. We have started learning about fire safety and how to keep safe when around fire and during campfire cooking. The children thoroughly enjoyed building a campfire and toasting marshmallows and enjoying them squished between two biscuits! It was delicious!

### Congratulations

Congratulations to our Prizes winners this month

Autumnal raffle – Fay Waters and we raised £415

Remembrance Cake bid – Laura Newton and we raised £120 for The Royal British legion

We would like to thank everybody that takes part in our fundraising events for ourselves and the community. The money raised has so far provided new resources for the children such as individual personalised aprons of art activities and also a Christmas surprise.

### COVID -19 .

As you are all aware, we have had Public Health England (PHE) in touch with ourselves this month. We have to document every time a child is absent from pre-school with COVID-19 symptoms or not. This information has to be submitted to Local Authority who may contact you to discuss. If you have an unwell child with any symptoms covid19 or not please keep them away from Pre-school until fully better.

### Lunch boxes

Please can I remind you all that The Lenches Pre-school adopt a Healthy eating policy. Please can we ask that you provide a healthy but filling lunch box. We would ask that there is no chocolate and sweets provided in lunchboxes please. If you are unsure on lunchboxes staff are happy to help.

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## Christmas

We are weeks away from Christmas.

### Christmas cards

All children like to send & receive cards to their friends at Christmas so this year the 'tiny post' post box has returned, it will be placed outside daily for you to pop your cards in and these will be collected every 72 hours in line with COVID-19. This week we will send out a class list of first names only of all children and staff.

We also have a selection of handmade Christmas cards for sale that have been kindly made by the vicar's wife and all contribution received are donated to us here at the Pre-school.

### Christmas Jumper day

Christmas jumper day is being held on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020** this is to support save the children charity. We look forward to seeing all your Christmas attire

### Nativity

As you may be aware the children are busy practicing this year's nativity. This year we have stuck with the traditional

The Nativity Story

The Nativity will take place on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at 9:30am**

This will be recorded and upload to tapestry in line with COVID-19 guidance. Children will be notified of their parts later on this week. Pre-school will provide all costumes this year. So, all you need to do is sit back, relax and enjoy the show.

### Christmas dinner day

Miquil Catering are offering a Christmas dinner again this year, **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020** it is a lovely opportunity for the children to have a Christmas lunch together in readiness to celebrate Christmas. Order forms will be issued in the coming weeks.

### Party Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2002

We will be celebrating the end of term together. – details to follow.