

NEWSLETTER

13th November 2020

This week the children have been enjoying lots of cardboard box play. This type of play encourages imaginative play, team work, co-operation and their descriptive language skills. We have been talking about the importance of being independent, being able to put on our own shoes, coats, open our lunches etc, and understanding that it is ok to not be able to do everything straight away.

As the weeks go by it is fantastic to see the children growing in confidence and ability. The Wiseowl children are all stepping up in to their role as the big boys and girls and are proving to be excellent role models and helpers for the younger children and our new starters.

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday the children observed Armistice Day. In the morning we talked about why some of us were wearing poppies and what it meant to remember and be thankful. Then at 11am we headed out in to the Market Square to observe the two minutes silence. The staff were all really proud of the children who all stood quietly listening the sound of the last post being played nearby. After lunch we walked to the St Lawrence Church to place our poppy wreath upon the war memorial and the remembrance crosses in the surrounding ground. Whilst there we met Reverend Graham Collingridge who spent time talking to the children and answering their questions. A second wreath was place on the memorial bench at Watford Church.



Christmas at Preschool

Nativity

Unfortunately there will be no live Nativity performance this year at preschool, however the staff and children are working on a recorded performance which will be available on Tapestry nearer to Christmas.

Christmas Party

We are still planning this year's Christmas party, which will take place on Friday 18th December. All children will be invited to the party which will start with a lunch at 12.30 followed by party games, a disco and hopefully a special visitor. More details to follow.

Slippers/Indoor Shoes

In an effort to keep mud out of the preschool room we ask that all children have a pair of indoor shoes or slippers at in their drawer to change in to when they arrive at preschool. If you have not already done so please can you send in a pair of slippers/shoes ASAP, these will remain at preschool throughout the term.

Fundraising

Joules Sale

Covid restrictions permitting, the Joules Sale at Long Buckby Community Centre will be taking place on Wednesday 16th December. All tickets will automatically transfer to that date unless you contact the preschool email (longbuckbypreschool@outlook.com) to request a refund. Refund requests must be received no later than 5pm Friday 27th November.

Christmas Raffle

We shall be running a Christmas raffle again this year and will be sending home tickets for the children to sell in the coming weeks. If you have any prizes that you are willing to donate to the raffle we would be very grateful.



APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

Does your child turn 4 on or before 31 August 2021?

Deadline: 5pm Friday 15th January 2021

It's time to apply for a Reception place

Children First Northamptonshire www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions Northamptonshire County Council

The advertisement features a blue banner at the top with the text 'APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE'. Below this, a green banner contains the question 'Does your child turn 4 on or before 31 August 2021?'. A circular photo of three children is positioned to the right of this text. Below the green banner, the text 'Deadline: 5pm Friday 15th January 2021' is displayed. At the bottom, another green banner reads 'It's time to apply for a Reception place'. The footer includes the 'Children First Northamptonshire' logo, the website 'www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions', and the 'Northamptonshire County Council' logo.

Dates for the Diary

Term 2

Wed 16th Dec Joules Seconds Sale – Rescheduled
Fri 18th Dec Preschool Closes

Term 3

Tues 5th Jan Preschool Opens
Wed 15th Jan Final day for school applications
Fri 12th Feb Preschool Closes

Term 4

Mon 22nd Feb Preschool Opens
Fri 26th Mar Preschool Closes

Term 5

Mon 12th April Preschool Opens
Fri 30th April Teacher Training Day
Mon 3rd May Preschool Closed – Bank Holiday
Fri 28th May Preschool Closes

Term 6

Mon 7th June Preschool Opens
Tues 20th July Preschool Closes