

Welcome back to Nursery after the Christmas break. We would also like to welcome our newest member of staff to the team— Sarah Tanner has joined us in our Baby room

Dates for your diary

Mon 16th Jan	Yoga for Toddlers (this will then be every fortnight in the afternoons)
Mon 30th Jan	Zoolab in 3-5's room
Fri 10th Feb	Last day of term
Mon 13th - Fri 17th Feb	Holiday club
Mon 20th Feb	Term time children back to nursery
Thurs 2nd March	World Book Day
Fri 24th March	Red Nose Day
Thurs 30th March	Zoolab in 3-5's room
Fri 7th April	Last day of Spring term
Mon 10th - Fri 21st April	Holiday Club
Fri 14th & Mon 17th April	Bank Holiday—NURSERY CLOSED
Mon 24th April	Term time children back to nursery

Melksham Town Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported us at the town fayre in November by either donating items or having a go on stall. We managed to raise £165 towards a children's entertainer at the Christmas Party which the children seemed to enjoy. We also raised a fabulous £59 from the Christmas hampers.

Photographs



We hope you all liked your Children's photographs. By buying your photographs through Nursery, you helped to raise £115 towards resources for your child.
Thank you

GRAPES

After hearing yet another story of a child choking on a grape, we would like to remind all parents to always cut grapes in half (lengthways). It doesn't matter how old or how good at chewing your child is, grapes are the perfect size to completely block a child's windpipe and once it's lodged there it's almost impossible to get out and blocks their whole airway.



IMPORTANT

If you are sending your child into Nursery with a pre-made drink which contains Movicol or any other similar product—please make sure that you notify a staff member and also bring in the pharmacy prescription label for us to see. Thank you



Footwear

Thank you to all parents who have been bringing their children into nursery in wellies in this wintry weather. Could we please ask that if they come in already wearing wellies, please can you bring in another pair of shoes for them to wear inside.

Thank you

Owls



This term we shall be getting to know each other better by playing group games and helping with our social skills.

We will also be singing our favourite songs, including Hickory Dickory Dock. We will be looking at books based around time events, like snack times and circle time.

Please bring into Nursery a favourite book of your choice for us to read and share.

Caterpillars



This term we shall be focussing on making relationships and getting to know each other — playing games such as roll the ball and singing songs such as "I travelled over land and sea".

We will also be working on our independence skills and will be having activities such as dressing up clothes and wellie boot printing.

Hedgehogs



This term we are welcoming new children into our room and supporting them to get to know each other. We will be learning about Winter, exploring ice and looking at arctic animals. We will be reading winter related stories and exploring winter activities such as 'dress the snowman' and penguin number matching game.

We will also be looking into the Chinese New Year. Our home corner will become a restaurant with menus and we will have noodle and rice play. We will also be having Chinese foods to try at snack time.



Children's Art Exhibition

Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising efforts by buying their child's framed artwork—we raised a whopping £175.87 which went towards the cost of resurfacing the baby garden.

Christmas Jumper Day

We raised £41.20 for Save the Children by wearing our Christmas Jumpers to Nursery and donating £1.

Registers

Could you please be remember to sign your child in and out of Nursery each time, and also ensure that you write on the correct line for your child.
Thank you

Nursery Policies

The following policies have been reviewed at the last Trustees meeting and are available to be read in reception:-

Staff Behaviour; Capability; Babysitting

Melksham Foodbank

Just a reminder that we do have a box in reception where you can donate items of food to the local Foodbank. The foodbank is a charity which supplies vital food supplies to local families who are in need.

If you are a family in need yourself, then please feel free to speak to Sue or Sharon in confidence who will be happy to help you get support.

