



November 2020

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Dear Parents,

November has been a busy month. We have been learning all about Autumn and the festivals we celebrate. The children enjoyed learning about animals that hibernate and making some lovely hedgehogs both in cake form and using leaves. We are now getting in the festive spirit, decorating the building and making decorations for your children to bring home.

December is a busy month for us all. Please read on to see all the exciting things we have planned!

#### TERM DATES

##### **Autumn Term**

End of Term Friday 18th December

##### **Spring Term**

Start of term Tuesday 5th January

Half Term 15th—19th February

End of Term Wednesday 31st March

##### **Summer Term**

Start of Term Monday 19th April

Half Term 31st May — 4th June

End of Term Wednesday 21st July



#### Children In Need

A huge thank you for everyone who made a donation, we raised £37.12



Don't forget you can monitor your child's progress and see all of their observations via the website or app. We add at least one observation per child, per week. The children's Next Steps reports will be available online in the New Year. Please email Mrs Harte if you have forgotten your log on details. You can add observations too, all you need to do is add a photo or video and a little description and we will be able to add it to their learning journey. We love to see what your child is doing at home.



#### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On **Friday 18th December** we are encouraging all children to come to Pre-school dressed in their favourite Christmas knitwear. Be as imaginative as you like by dressing your child up in festive colours. We are asking for a £1 donation, or whatever you can afford, with all proceeds going towards our fundraising.

#### GREENWOOD BAGS

The bags have been ordered and we will let you know as soon as they have been delivered. Don't worry if you haven't ordered any yet, we will have plenty available. The price of the bags will be £5 each. You do not need to pay for these until delivery is made.



#### Winter Clothing!

The weather is getting a lot cooler. We continue to go outside as much as possible. Please can you ensure all children have a thick, warm coat, a pair of gloves and a woolly hat that they can keep at pre-school. Please ensure all items are clearly named.

#### Christmas Party

We will be holding our annual Christmas Party for all the children on **Friday 11th December**. All children attending Greenwood are invited to the party whether they normally attend on a Friday afternoon or not.

Children should be dropped off at Greenwood at 1.15pm (via the gates on Poplar Lane as normal) and should be collected at 3.00pm.

The cost for this event is £5.00 per child (to go towards the cost of the present).

If you would like your child to attend the party, please return the money and slip by **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**.

#### Personalised Christmas Ornaments.

Look out for the traditional Greenwood Ornaments that will be on sale from **Monday 14th December** for £2. Each decoration will have a picture of your child in!



## Lunch Club

Lunch club is continuing to be a great success. It is available on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Parents have asked if children are able to attend on a one off occasion, they are but would need to stay all day. There is a fee of £4 for the lunch club and £16 for the extra session. Please email Mrs Harte or speak to her on the gate if you would like more information.



## Mud Kitchen

The Mud Kitchen is coming along nicely. Please could we have any small, empty plastic containers for the Mud Kitchen such as the ones that 100s and 1000s come in or herbs and spices. We are also on the hunt for plastic salt and pepper grinders.



### **Topic**

For the remainder of the term, we will be celebrating **Christmas**. We would love it if you could support our themes at home and share it with us at Greenwood via Facebook or email it to us.

W/C Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Decorations
W/C Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Cooking & Party
W/C Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Numbers & Jumpers

### **Safeguarding**

Greenwood is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and we expect all staff, volunteers, visitors and external agencies to share this commitment. Should you have any concerns please speak to Mrs K Bull, Designated Safeguarding Lead or myself.

**Snacks** We would be grateful for any donations of the following for the children to share at snack time:

- Apples
- Bananas
- Oranges/satsumas/clementine's
- Carrots
- Peas in a pod
- Cucumber
- Tomatoes
- Strawberries
- Grapes
- Raisins / Sultana's
- Bread sticks
- Cream crackers

### **Internet Safety**



For support and practical advice on how to keep your children safe online, please visit [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org)

From age-specific online safety checklists to guides on how to set parental controls on a range of devices, you'll find a host of practical tips to help children get the most out of their digital world.

If your child has borrowed a change of clothes, please can you wash and return them as soon as possible.  
Our spares are running very low!

### **Communications**

#### **Greenwood Website**

Please visit the Greenwood Pre-school Website: [www.thegreenwoodpreschool.co.uk](http://www.thegreenwoodpreschool.co.uk) which gives up to date information on the pre-school. If you do have any queries then please ask a member of staff on the gate.

#### **Facebook**



All parents are invited to join the Greenwood Facebook group "Greenwood Pre-school Winner's (Parents group)". This is a closed group for information and question/answer purposes. We occasionally share photos of our sessions and will post reminders.

### **Dates for the Diary**



#### **December**

Tuesday 1st— uSports (pm only)

Friday 11th — Christmas Party 1pm—3pm  
All children Invited

Tuesday 15th— uSports (am only)

Friday 18th— Christmas Jumper Day and  
End of term

#### **January**

Tuesday 5th— Children return.

### **Uniform**

Don't forget to protect your children's own clothes by investing in one of Greenwood's sweatshirts or polo shirts. For security and identification purposes all children are required to wear Greenwood sweatshirts on any school trips.

Painting Bags are also available and are great for taking children's work and letters home.

Sweatshirts £9.50  
Polo shirts £9.00  
T-shirts £6.00

Sweatshirt & T-shirt £14.50  
Sweatshirt & Polo shirt £17.50

# BULMERSHE GYMNASTICS CLUB

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### WHEN

#### A Classes

(Walking to 4 Years with an Adult)

Monday 10.00am—10.40am

Tuesday 10.00am—10.40am

Friday 10.00am—10.40am

#### B Classes

(3 and 4 years structured)

Monday 11.00am—11.40am

Monday 2.00pm—2.40pm

Tuesday 11.00am—11.40am

Friday 11.00am—11.40am

### FREE TASTER SESSIONS

### WHERE

**Bulmershe Gymnastics Club**  
**Off Grey's Crescent, Woodley, RG5 3EL**

For more details email: [membership@bulmershegymnastics.co.uk](mailto:membership@bulmershegymnastics.co.uk)

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