

Low Hall Nursery School

Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

Important Dates

As we now only have just under two weeks left before the Christmas break we would like to remind you of a few very important dates coming up.

- **Monday 15th December**- Performance of 'The Enormous Turnip' at 9.30am by A Pocketful of Nothing Theatre Company. Afternoon parents can bring their children in to see the performance, which lasts for about 50 minutes, **but must stay with them**. Morning children's parents can stay but please do not bring younger children who could disrupt the performance.
- **Thursday 18th December**- Christmas show (childrens' songs) and parties (am and pm)
The morning show will start at 9.30am and the afternoon show at 1.15pm. Once the show has finished the nursery will be set up for a Christmas party. Parents/carers are invited to stay. Contributions of 'finger food' would be very welcome but please bring vegetarian food only and no products with nuts or gelatine.
- **Friday 19th December** – Last day of term with the usual session times
- **Wednesday 7th January**- Beginning of Spring term

New members of staff

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce Arlette Motere who is our new Early Years Practitioner. Arlette is working with all the children in the morning and supporting a new child in the afternoon.

Buggies

Please can you make sure that no buggies are brought in to the Nursery premises as this is a health and safety hazard. Exceptions will only be made for a sleeping baby in a buggy.

Toys, Sweets and Food

Please could you make sure your child does not bring toys (including cuddly toys) to the nursery as this causes distress to the children when they lose them and also causes problems when other children want to play with them. Some children are also still bringing in food and sweets in their bags so please make sure that this does not happen.

Parking

We have had a request from the person who owns the garage opposite the gate to ask that you please do not park in front of it as it is used all the time. We also ask that you do not park on the zig zag lines outside the gate. The lines are there to keep your children safe.

Spare clothes and carrier bags

Please could you make sure that your child has some spare clothes in their box. We also would appreciate contributions of spare socks, pants, tights and trousers (age 4-5 or 5-6). Donations of spare plastic carrier bags would also be a great help!

Woodwork

We desperately need plastic bottle lids and yoghurt pots and lids as the children are really enjoying woodwork at the moment. These become wheels for cars, propellers for aeroplanes etc.

Emptying Boxes and Lost Property

Please could you make sure you regularly empty your children's boxes and especially on the last day of term. Please also check the lost property box as anything left over at the end of term will either be used as spare changing clothes or taken to a charity shop.

Thank you and goodbye

Sadly we would like to say goodbye to Inga who will be leaving us at the end of term. Inga has been a valued member of staff and the children will miss her. We would like to wish her all the best for next year. In her place we have a new senior teacher starting, Sarah Geekie. We are also taking on a new young office apprentice, Collum Byas in January, who will be working from 12-6pm every day.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

The staff would like to take this opportunity to wish you all Seasons Greetings and a Happy New Year. The children have had a very productive term and it's lovely to see how much they have all settled and matured. We are especially pleased at how well the two year olds have settled in. We look forward to seeing you all at the start of the Spring term on **Wednesday 7th January**.

