



Welcome Back to Term 3

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and all the staff wish you and your families a very Happy New Year 2021.
This term we would like to welcome 3 new children, Jax, Astrid, Oscar and their families to Stonesfield Pre-school.

A Few Polite Reminders

Please remember either side of Pre-school is a busy car park.

Only use mobile phones outside the Pre-school gates.

Please provide a healthy snack in a labelled box or bag for morning snack and afternoon snack if required.

A healthy lunch and please remember we are a nut free Pre-school.

Only water in water bottles, small cartons of juice are acceptable for lunch time only.

In red bags please provide changes of clothes and suitable outdoor clothing for all weather play.

Thank you.

Reflecting on Last term.

Term 2 was a very strange term for everyone, whilst we continued with the Covid-19 government guidelines we were still able to create an enjoyable and creative Pre-school environment. We would very much like to thank you all for your continued support during these unusual times.

We started the term thinking about Celebrations and significant events and how colour helps us to celebrate these such as black, red and yellow for Bonfire night and Poppy Day and how we can make the colour orange and red and gold for Diwali. We also thought about Arctic landscapes with blues and white and our own winter woodland using browns and purples. We then began to think about Christmas with lots of bright sparkly colours such as red, silver and gold. We even managed to purchase some Eco-friendly glitter to add some extra sparkle.

It soon became apparent that we would not be able to have our usual party at the St. James Centre or celebrate The Nativity with Mrs Ede and the foundation class. However, thanks to the commitment of all the staff we continued to tell the story of the Nativity to the children and practice much loved songs such as Away in a Manger, When Santa got stuck up the Chimney and Jingle bells. We even made good use of our Rainbow room and created a grotto with twinkly lights and Christmas music. And used dressing up clothes to re tell the story of The Nativity.

Then the day of the party arrived. Unfortunately, Santa was unable to enter the Pre-school building, he had not been part of our bubble! But all the children seemed to understand and the party went on. We played party games, danced and sang and enjoyed a festive fruit platter and a Christmas cup cake, thank-you Kathryn (Ruby's mum) for baking for us they were greatly appreciated. The children went on to exchange a small gift with a friend, the emphasis being 'giving, not always receiving'

As you can see from the photo and all the happy faces we had a great time.



Term 3 Planning

This term will begin by settling back into our Pre-school routines along with allowing the children to explore the environment around them and independently select toys and games. We will go on to introduce our new theme, 'Occupations' and peoples role with in their jobs.

Covid-19 Update

On our return we will continue as before, here's a reminder.

Please arrive at our back gate, please remember this is also a car park.

Only one adult per child will be allowed through the garden.

Line up along Pre-school building and social distance at all times.

Hand sanitiser will be available on entry. Children will wash their hands once inside.

When it is your turn move forward to the 2m marker in the garden.

A member of staff will be in the doorway to welcome your child.

Any bags, lunch boxes etc can be hung on the fence for the staff to take in.

Toys from home should not come to Pre-school, however comforters can.

Exit through the main gate.

To collect, please arrive at the back gate.

Move forwards in turn and a member of staff will be waiting and helping you child with all their belongings and exit through main gate.

Thank-you again for your co-operation.

Term Dates.

Term 3 starts Tuesday 5th January – Friday 12th February

Half Term. Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February

Term 4 starts Monday 22nd February – Wednesday 31st March

Easter Holiday starts Thursday 1st April – Friday 16th April