



Festive update

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Dear Parents and Carers

Although it is only November, the rest of the term is really busy, so I wanted to take this opportunity to update you with the festive plans.

You should have all received an email with specific information for your child's sing-a-long and party day. Please read this carefully and make a note of the specific times that apply to you. If you have not had this, please speak to the office so they can help.

The festivities kick off at the **Dorking Gala on Sunday 1st December!** As the only maintained nursery school in Dorking, we are fully part of this community event, but as always, we cannot do it without you. We will be based in the United Reform Church: -

- We will be serving refreshments all day from 11am - 5pm in the URC - can you spare an hour to help on the stall?
- Everyone loves a cake with a cuppa, so we are asking for cake donations on either Friday 29th December (if they are able to be kept for two days) or dropped off to the URC from 10.30am on Sunday 1st.
- We will be running a 'Hook a Festive Duck' stall - can you spare an hour to help?
- As an eco-school, we are keen to help recycle any 'good as new' gifts. Do you have any new toys, games, books, gifts that we can recycle to sell? Please send these into the office in the coming weeks, or do you have any unwanted 'festive' clothing that we can sell?
- At 1.30pm, we will be singing in the URC. We are inviting all the children to join us on the stage to share a few songs to get you in the festive spirit
- And staff will also be in the Narnia Room every hour, on the hour...look out for more information about this from Hello Dorking!

If you are able to help for an hour or two, please contact the office to let them know your availability. Last year we raised £550 at this event! It would be amazing to match that, but we cannot do it without your help!

Thursday 12th December - Christmas lunch! This is for children who normally have a lunch on a Thursday. Due to the numbers of children and space, we are not able to accommodate additional children on this day.

Thursday 12th December - Christmas Jumper Day - children to come to nursery in their festive clothing for Christmas Jumper Day, donations to Save the Children.

Monday 16th December - 3-5s class only - Sing-a-long - children singing at 11.00am, 2pm or 3pm. Parents have been invited back for the specific session their child is in.

Tuesday 17th December - 2-3s class only - Christmas Party Day and Sing-a-long - 9am - 11.30am or 1pm - 3.30pm - please check your letter for the session your child is invited to. There are no normal sessions in the 2-3s nursery on this day. Parents have been invited back for a specific time, either 11am or 3pm.

Wednesday 18th December - 3-5s class only - Christmas Party Day - 10am - midday or 12.45pm - 2.45pm - please check your letter for the session your child is invited to. There are no normal sessions in the 3-5s nursery on this day.

Thursday 19th December - SEND class only - Christmas Party Day and Sing-a-long - 9.30am - 11.30am or 12.30pm - 2.30pm - please check your letter for the session your child is invited to. There are no normal sessions in the SEND nursery on this day. Parents have been invited back for a specific time, either 11am or 2pm.

Friday 20th December - Pyjama Day - 'The Night Before Christmas'

- Children (and staff!) to wear their pyjamas for the day (no onesies please).
- Last day of term.

Monday 6th January 2025 - Start of term for spring, nursery open as normal.

If you have any questions, please just ask us!

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