

Newsletter: December 2023

Tax Free Government Childcare Payment Scheme.

If you currently pay or are intending to pay your invoices using this scheme please use the following numbers in the search bar to find our correct account.

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Fosse Bank Update.

After Fosse Bank School closed in March 2023, the site has been sold to a SEN school group called Witherslack. The company are in the process of completing renovations on the school and hope to be finished by February 2024 and open by March 2024. They will be accommodating children aged 8years-18years with SEN.

Please be aware that there is a lot of construction traffic using the site now.

Food Bank Reverse Advent Calendar.

Some of the staff are doing a reverse advent calendar during December to be taken to the local food bank if anyone would like to donate anything, there will be a box outside the office.

Some suggestions of suitable donations are;

box of cereal, washing up liquid, tinned soup, bar of soap, packet of pasta, tinned meat, packet of teabags, packet of nappies, tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, packet of lentils, laundry powder, tinned fruit, packet of biscuits, UHT milk, jar of coffee, tube of toothpaste, bottle of shampoo, Christmas selection box, packet of rice, tin of baked beans, Christmas cake or pudding.

Dark nights.

Now the nights are getting darker, please remember to take extra caution in the car park when collecting your child as it will be more difficult to see others when reversing or driving. Also take extra care of your children when taking them to and from the car.

Dates for your diary.

Thursday 7th December – Christmas Jumper Day, children and adults wearing Christmas jumpers.

Tuesday 12th December – 3:30pm-4pm- Parents/grandparents are invited to join in our Nursery Building Christmas concert.

Wednesday 13th December – 3pm Parents/grandparents are invited to come and join in our Pre-school Christmas concert in the forest.

Thursday 14th December – Children's Christmas lunch.

Wednesday 20th December: Pre-school Christmas party from 2:30pm-4pm.

Christmas opening hours – Closing at 2pm on Friday 22nd December 2023 re-opening on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

Dates to remember.

Sunday 14th January – International Kite Day.

Wednesday 17th January – Child Inventor Day.

Saturday 20th January – Penguin Awareness Day.

Sunday 21st January – Squirrel Appreciation Day.

Monday 22nd January – Start of Chinese New Year – Year of the Wood Dragon.

Saturday 27th January – Chocolate Cake Day.

Monday 29th January – Puzzle Day.



Bringing in adequate clothes for your children.

Please make sure your child comes to nursery wearing appropriate clothing for the weather. Also please provide your child with a coat or an all-in-one suit for wet weather and a bag with a change of clothes in it, hat and gloves if children need them.

Children in Need

Thank you for all your support and donations for our Children in Need Day and bake sale. The children had lots of fun and all for a worthy cause.

Spare socks and trousers

To help us prepare for the winter, it would be useful to have more spare socks, gloves, and bottoms. If you have any spare clothes, aged up to 5 years that you no longer want, please donate them for our spare box.
Many Thanks

Please send us a review to go on our website.

If you love what we do at Stables, please send a review to go on our website to info@stablesdaycare.co.uk.

Wet weather clothes.

Please remember to bring in wet weather clothes for your child now that the weather has turned more Autumnal.

Please remember to label your child's clothing.

Keep in Touch

Remember that you can keep up to date with everything we are doing at Stables on our website: www.stablesdaycare.co.uk.

Here you can view our monthly newsletter, and photographs of what the children have been doing each month. You can also follow us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/stablesdaycare.

This month's ECAT nursery rhyme is: Twinkle, Twinkle, Christmas Star

All Rooms Planning December 2023

Child led will be mostly spontaneously organised in the moment planning according to what the children's interests and requests are on a day-to-day basis.

Adult Initiated Planning

Pre-school Room		
Intent	Implementation	Proposed Impact
Christmas songs with Makaton.	Practice Christmas songs for our forest concert.	Literacy, PD, C&L, PSED, KUW.
Christmas snap.	Using Christmas snap, encourage children to turn take,	PD, MD, PSED, C&L.
Making Christmas decorations.	Using card, biodegradable glitter, glue, and paint, making decorations to hang on the tree.	PD, PSED, KUW, EAD.
Building towers.	Using various media to build different sized towers and make comparisons.	MD, C&L, PD, PSED.
Reading Christmas stories.	In small groups, reading the Christmas stories and talk about the traditions of Christmas.	PD, KUW, Literacy, C&L, PSED.
Painting Christmas trees.	Using different resources to decorate Christmas trees.	EAD, MD, KUW, PD.
Christmas post box/sorting and delivering cards.	Sorting and delivering the Christmas cards from the post box.	EAD, MD, PD, PSED, C&L.
Making Christmas cards.	Using different resources to make cards.	EAD, KUW, PSED, C&L.
Tessellation with shapes.	Making tessellations with different resources.	MD, C&L, PSED.
Fake snow play.	Make fake snow and put into the messy in tray to explore.	PD. Sensory, PSED.
Saying Merry Christmas in different languages.	Learning Merry Christmas in different languages.	KUW, PSED, C&L.
Learning different cultural traditions, e.g. Scandinavian Gonk, Yule Lads of Iceland,	Looking at different Christmas traditions and talking about them.	Literacy, KUW, PSED, C&L.
Ice play.	Freezing things in ice and watching them melt for children to explore.	KUW, PD, PSED, C&L, MD.
Opening our Advent Calendar and counting down the days.	Using our Advent calendar to count the days until Christmas.	PSED, C&L, MD, PD.
Christingles.	Making Christingles with oranges and cloves.	KUW, PD, C&L, PSED.
Kindie Room		
Intent	Implementation	Proposed Impact
Snow pictures.	Using white glitter and glue to make snowy pictures.	PD, MD, PSED, C&L, KUW.
Decorating gingerbread.	Using and different sprinkles to decorate gingerbread.	PD, EAD, KUW.
Shaker bottles.	Create shaker bottles with rice, pasta, and lentils.	EAD, PD.
Worm World, Super worm book.	Collect worms for worm world, read the Super worm book. Make worms.	PD, PSED, C&L, EAD, KUW.
Talk about Father Christmas and his reindeers.	Use stories to talk about Christmas.	C&L, Literacy, PSED.
Build a sleigh.	Use junk modelling to build a sleigh.	PD, PSED, MD, KUW, EAD.
Wrapping presents.	Children can wrap boxes and practice wrapping present for their friends.	EAD, KUW, PD, PSED, MD.
Christmas Party.	Dancing and following the actions to Sticky Kids Christmas songs.	EAD, PD, PSED, C&L.
Fake snow play.	Make fake snow and put into the messy in tray to explore.	PD. Sensory, PSED.
Learning different cultural traditions, e.g. Scandinavian Gonk, Yule Lads of Iceland,	Looking at different Christmas traditions and talking about them.	Literacy, KUW, PSED, C&L.
Ice play.	Freezing things in ice and watching them melt for children to explore.	KUW, PD, PSED, C&L, MD.
Advent Calanders.	Talking about the countdown to Christmas.	C&L, KUW, MD, PSED.
Christingles.	Making Christingles with oranges and cloves.	KUW, PD, C&L, PSED.

Baby Room		
Intent	Implementation	Proposed Impact
Fake snow play and snowballs.	Make fake snow and put into the crawl in tray with balls to explore.	PD, Sensory, PSED.
Christmas pictures.	Using Christmas sponges with paint to create pictures.	PD EAD.
Christmas Ice.	Set some ice with red, green, and gold paint and biodegradable glitter and put in the tray for children to explore.	PD, Sensory, PSED.
Shredded paper with tinsel.	Put the shredded paper with tinsel in the messy tray for the children to explore.	PD, Sensory.
Christmas songs and stories.	Reading the children's favourite stories. Singing Christmas songs with the children.	PSED, C&L.
Glitter sand.	Using biodegradable glitter and sand in the messy tray for children to explore.	EAD, Sensory, PD.
Searching in the ball pit.	Hiding our Christmas gifts in the ball pit for the children to find.	PD, PSED.
Toddler Room		
Intent	Implementation	Proposed Impact
Sing and sign in Makaton.	Singing Christmas songs using Makaton signs too.	PD, C&L, PSED.
Finger painting.	Using Christmas colours to paint	PD, EAD.
Oat foot painting.	Using oats and coloured paints for children to make footprints on the paper.	PD, EAD, PSED.
Snowflakes.	Using the dabber paints to make snowflake pictures.	PD, PSED, EAD.
Snow dough.	Biodegradable glitter and oats and foam in the messy tray.	PD, EAD, PSED.
Tree decorations.	Painting and gluing resources on to wooden decorations.	PD, Sensory, EAD.
Making Christmas crafts.	Using various resources to make Christmas crafts.	Sensory, PD, KUW.
Fake snow play.	Make fake snow and put into the messy in tray to explore.	PD, Sensory, PSED.
Nursery Room		
Intent	Implementation	Proposed Impact
Christmas pictures.	Using coloured card, paint, and glitter to create Christmas pictures.	C&L, PSED, PD, EAD.
Christmas sensory play.	Using things like fake snow, glitter, and small world people to create a sensory tray.	PD, PSED, C&L, EAD.
Balls and boxes.	Using boxes to create different sized holes for children to post balls into.	PD, PSED, MD.
Painting with mops.	Provide mops and coloured paint to mark make on paper.	PD, MD, EAD.
Animals in ice.	Place winter animals in ice for children to break out.	KUW, PD.
Reindeer food.	Create reindeer food for children to take home using oats and biodegradable glitter.	C&L, EAD, PSED, PD, KUW.
Makaton Christmas songs.	Using our Makaton signs to sing our Christmas songs together.	PD, PSED, C&L, KUW.
Musical crackers.	Using cardboard tubes, rice and pasta to create a musical cracker.	KUW, PSED, C&L, EAD.
Role-play shop.	Using our dress ups and role play food to play shopping games.	KUW, PSED, C&L, MD, PD.
Fake snow play.	Make fake snow and put into the messy in tray to explore.	PD, Sensory, PSED.
Christingles.	Making Christingles with oranges and cloves.	KUW, PD, C&L, PSED.