



The Old School House Nursery

2nd half Autumn/Winter Term 2018 Newsletter

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A warm welcome back to everyone and also welcome to **Beth and Leo** who have joined us this term.



We start this term with the children interested in **BATS**, **PUMPKINS AND POTIONS** leading us through November as we make **POPPIES** and turn our heads to **WINTER** and all things **Christmas!**



We start making our special OSHN Mincemeat with lots of weighing, mixing and spooning. Using all our senses to smell the delightful lemons and oranges being squeezed. Donations of ingredients are really welcomed and

look out for the order forms in book bags.

Alongside all this will be activities, crafts, paint & glitter as we look towards that special time of **CHRISTMAS!**



To support Children in Need the Nursery Children will be taking part in activities all day around teddy bears and everyone is asked to come dressed in something spotty, bring your favourite teddy bear for a visit and donate £1.

So don't forget on Friday 16th November - please come to Nursery dressed in something spotty and bring your bear !!



Wet weather, Wet Grass, Puddles it is really **IMPORTANT** your child has a pair of boots at nursery each time they attend. They need to be the right size, easy to put on, easy for your child to identify and **MUST BE NAMED!** Either just inside the top or on the outside with a marker pen.

Also a water proof coat on their peg with a bag of spare clothes in case they get wet in their activities. Again named pleased. If you have a full length water proof suit please also put on your child's peg. Very many thanks.

Number of the Week

Week beginning

Mon 29th Oct 7

HALLOWEEN

Pumpkins & Hammers
Bats in the Playdough

Mon 5th Nov 8

BONFIRE NIGHT

Fireworks / Rockets

Mon 13th Nov 9

REMEMBRANCE

Poppies
The Gruffalo

Children in Need: FRIDAY
Come dressed in spots & bring a £1 coin & your Teddy.

Mon 19th Nov 10

STICK MAN

Stick Writing
"I am great at"

Mon 26th Nov 11

We're going on a bear hunt.

Bears / Messy Play

Mon 3rd Dec 12

WINTER / Post Office

Mon - Nativity Rehearsal
Fri - Nativity Performance

Mon 10th Dec

CHRISTMAS

Cinnamon Playdough
Reindeer Food

Mon 17th Dec

CHRISTMAS

Party - Wednesday (last day of term).


Last day of term Wednesday day 19th December.

Return to Nursery
Monday 7th January 2019.

Possibility of some Playdays on 3rd and 4th January - please speak to a member of staff.

In keeping with our activities at the start of term it seems that **BATS** are delaying our transfer to the Academy as a 'dawn to dusk' report needs to be undertaken and can't happen till Spring next year. Obviously we will keep everyone updated on repairs and transfer details once we know more. It is a very exciting time for The Old School House Nursery and we really appreciate the support & patience from all the parents, Headteacher of Helmingham School and the Academy.

Don't forget our new online payment facilities at Santander. The Old School House Nursery Account No. 13317768 Sort Code 09-01-29 quoting you child's name in the reference.
Our Registered Charity Number is 1068289

	<p>Please remember to choose a book with your child from the selection in the cloakroom each day. Offers to come and read to a group at the end of a session are warmly welcomed.</p>
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Nursery Nativity Rehearsals & Performance -

(both at Framsdén Baptist Church)

Monday 3rd December - REHEARSAL in morning (all children)

Friday 7th December - PERFORMANCE in morning plus chance to have refreshments and browse craft stalls.

Please check times for drop off and pick up in full detail in a letter being sent home to each family.



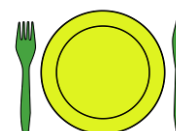
Christmas Party! We are very lucky that we are invited to The Old Coach House on the Helmingham Hall Estate for our Christmas celebrations. This year our party is on Wednesday 19th December.

Children arrive 10 am - enjoy the drive through the parkland ... can you see the deer .. perhaps Rudolf is hiding! We then have dancing to music with games and lots of fun. The children then have a sit down bring and share meal (week before a list goes up in the cloakroom to sign up what you might contribute). We have crackers and hats as well. At 12.45 pm we suggest parents come back to join us for a very special visitor ... you guessed it he is dressed in red and carries a sack. Afterwards presents are given out and it is home time. Collection is by 1 pm if you are unable to join us for Santa.

Hot School Dinners collected by staff from next door..... £2.30 + 70p handling fee = £3. Tasty and freshly prepared by Helmingham School Cook Emma next door. Full Menu on display in the cloakroom – just order on arrival.

Choosing a hot school lunch helps children by

- Providing a tasty, nutritious and great value for money meal.
- Helping them to concentrate, learn and develop their social skills.
- Providing a balanced diet and the chance to try new foods.
- Enjoying their lunch in a safe and supervised environment with their friends.



Nursery Hours

Breakfast Club 8 – 9 Mon-Fri just £6

(Breakfast served till 8.30am)

Arrival between 9 – 9.15am Mon – Fri.

(doors open before that to sit in cloakroom and share a story in the warmth!)

Collection by 12 noon / 1 pm / 3 pm

Contact the office for prices for late pick-up
3pm – 4pm.

Are you helping raise funds for Nursery
when on-line shopping ???

Remember all you need to do is to log on to
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/oshn-stowmarket>

we are already generating monies so join us
today.

BAD WEATHER / SCHOOLS CLOSING - check the radio - we do the same as Helmingham Primary School.

FEELING POORLY / BEEN SICK - Remember if your child is ill they MUST NOT return to Nursery until they have been clear for 48 hours.

EXISTING INJURY - Do tell us on arrival so we can fill a form in - not all are visible at first glance and might be found later in day and we would need to phone you.

PACKED LUNCHES - Please remember to put an ICE PACK in your child's lunch box even at this time of year. Also to cut in half GRAPES if giving them to your child. Also provide a DRINK.

SLIPPERS - Are a really good idea in Nursery at this time of year - NAMED please!

Term Dates:

Autumn/Winter Term ends on Wednesday 19th December 2018.

Spring Term 2019 Monday 7th January - Tuesday 2nd April **

** If you would be interested in us putting on PLAYDAYS (fundraiser event so no funding can be accepted and cost is £35 a day) on 3rd & 4th Jan and 3rd & 4th April please email us ASAP.

Half Term : Mon 18th - Fri 22nd February 2019.

Summer Term 2019 Tuesday 23rd April - Wednesday 24th July.

Half Term : Mon 27th May - 31st May 2019.

NURSERY WEEKLY ACTIVITIES - if you would like more details (some have an extra charge) please speak contact us.

Day	Activity
Monday	Cooking sweet and savoury items - usually for eating at snack time !
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Dance with Miss Pamela in the morning.
Thursday	Music Session - with instruments/singing.
Friday	Woodland Walk - opportunity for the children to go out and explore the countryside.

Don't forget if you want to contact us **Steph** our Nursery Manager is in all week, **Heather** is contact for **Newsletter & Website**, speak to **Charlotte** about your **Gardening Rota** and **Angela** is in the **Office** on **Tuesday & Thursday** afternoon regarding invoices.

Please remember a full set of the Nursery Policies and Procedures are available to parents in the cloakroom area at all times.

SENCO - Steph Cross (Manager)

Designated Safeguarding Lead - Heather Runacres

Deputy Safeguarding - Steph Cross / Kelly Miller

Committee Safeguarding - Alex Matter

Data Protection - Kelly Miller (Staff) / Rebecca Hewitt (Committee)