



Sandbrook Nursery School



Newsletter

December 2021

Christmas Holidays

School will close at 12.15 (N2) and 12.30 (N1) on Tuesday 21st December (there will be NO DINNER) and school will re-open at 8.45am (N2) and 9.00a.m. (N1) on Wednesday 5th January 2022. **(Please note this is a change of time)**

School Nativity

Unfortunately due to the rise in Covid cases this year the school Nativity will take place in class without an audience. We will dress up and sing and you will be able to see us afterwards on the video that we will make and post on Seesaw. We were really hoping to have our Nativity in the church this year with all the parents present but this cannot be.

NI Hospice- World Kindness Day 2021

We would also like to thank you for helping us to raise an amazing **£146.49** for 'NI Hospice' a worthy cause. Well done.

Important

Time keeping is so important in Nursery. If your child is late they miss so much at the beginning of their day. Morning circle time is the time when we share news and ideas. We discuss the rules of the nursery and what is happening that day. Nursery 1 doors open at 9am and Nursery 2 8.45am please adhere to these times. At collection time if you are late your child can become upset when the other children have left. Nursery 1 finish 1.15pm/Nursery 2 finish 1pm. These times are always under review as we follow Department of Education, PHA and Education Authority guidance.

Outdoor Play

We will still be playing outside in the winter months. Before we go outside each child puts a coat on, these coats are provided by school. Please help your child to practise putting on a coat at home. If you want your child to wear a hat outside please send a hat that can STAY in school into your child's class teacher. Please ensure their name is on it.

Face coverings

Please remember to wear a face covering and to keep a 2 metre distance from other parents and children when dropping off AND picking up your child.

Christmas Ballot

This year we are selling ballots to raise money for the 'Forget-me-not' charity based at the Ulster Hospital £1 per ballot. Ballots will be on sale from Monday 6th December. Prizes include: Children's Christmas Eve Box and Strand Cinema Tickets.

All the staff in the nursery would like to wish all the children in our classes and their families a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

IMPORTANT DATES

2 nd /7 th Dec	Plant and play
9 th Dec	Yogabellies
10 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day Donations: 'Forget-me-not' charity
10 th Dec	Jump, Jiggle and Jive
14 th Dec	Early finish NO DINNER Nursery 1: 11.30 Nursery 2: 11.15
16 th Dec	Gathering Drum
21 st Dec	Early finish NO DINNER Trip to Funky Monkeys Nursery 1: 12.30 Nursery 2: 12.15 School Closes for holidays
5 th January	School re-opens

All dates are subject to change. Please keep an eye on Facebook, Website, Seesaw and text messages.



Reminder

- Morning: Doors open at 8.45am (N2) and 9.00a.m.(N1).
- Please continue to follow the rules in place to limit the spread of Covid-19. If you are waiting at the gate/in playground we would ask that you continue to allow a distance between you and others in the queue and that you wear a face covering.
- If you do arrive early/late either in the morning or the afternoon please remember that you will have to wait outside the gate until the other class " bubble " has gone into school and all the parents have left. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.
- If you wish to speak to one of the teachers please do not hold up the queue of parents waiting for drop-off or pick-up. If you have an issue which requires a longer chat we would ask that you phone or email the school and make an appointment to speak to the teacher.
- Only staff members are to open side gate. If you are late please buzz at main door and a staff member will then open side gate.
- Please ensure school fund/dinner envelopes are completed before dropping children at the door as this can cause congestion at the classroom and unsettle the children.