



Pre-Prep News 24 November



Road Safety Visit from Community Police Officers



Two local Community Police Officers visited the Pre-Prep this week in a brand new mobile police station! The officers talked to all the children about being safe when out and about and how to make sure they were visible when it's dark.



Exhibition at the Atkinson Gallery

Dressed in their spots for Children in Need the Year 1 children visited the Atkinson Gallery at Millfield last week to view 'The Climate is Changing' exhibition. The exhibition features 50 textile artworks from 12 countries. Afterwards we were delighted to receive comments from a member of staff at the gallery on how polite, well behaved and interested the children were in the art work! Congratulations to all Year 1 – we're very proud of you.



'Too Busy for Christmas'

Parents are invited to the Pre-Prep nativity - 'Too Busy for Christmas' - in the Pre-Prep Hall at 9.30am on **Friday 9 December**. Refreshments will be served in the main dining hall from 8.30am onwards.



The Minis had a sensory experience with bubbles, sand, water, bells, light balls and even a visit from Tilly and Tickets, the Pre-School rabbits.



**Christmas Fun and Games
Wednesday 30 November
2pm in the Pre-Prep Hall**

Last reminder for: *Raffle prizes*: The hampers for your contributions are in each classroom; *Cakes and Homemade Produce*: All donations of produce should be clearly labelled with a list of ingredients and brought to the Pre-Prep Hall on the morning of Fun and Games and finally; soft toys for *What's in Santa's Sack?*

Christmas Teddy Bear Show – please return your entry form and fee to the Pre-Prep office. Teddy bears should be brought into school on Tuesday.

Please note – no activities, crèche or late club after Fun and Games!

Children in Need

Thank you for your support last week! The children had a really great day and we raised an amazing **£155.05**.



Important Diary Dates for the rest of term:

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| Wednesday 30 November | Christmas Fun and Games 2.00pm. No activities or after school care. |
| Thursday 1 December | Pre-School Frogs – parents invited to watch swimming. Christmas Gymkhana – details overleaf |
| Friday 2 December | Pre-School Tadpoles - parents invited to watch swimming 'Too Busy for Christmas' rehearsal 8.45am all Pre-School Frogs needed for the rehearsal Last day for after school activities |
| Monday 5 December | Christmas post boxes. Year 1 and Year 2 party afternoon |
| Tuesday 6 December | 'Too Busy for Christmas' rehearsal 8.45 all Pre-School Frogs needed for the rehearsal. Pre-School and Reception party afternoon |
| Wednesday 7 December | Millfield Minis Party for Monday and Wednesday groups 'Too Busy for Christmas' rehearsal 1.30pm all Pre-School Frogs needed for the rehearsal |
| Thursday 8 December | Millfield Minis party 'Too Busy for Christmas' dress rehearsal 1.30pm all Pre-School children needed for the rehearsal |
| Friday 9 December | 'Too Busy for Christmas' 9.30am Pre-Prep Hall. End of term 3.15pm |



Christmas Cards

Children may post their Christmas cards to school friends in our Year group post boxes from **Monday 5 December**. Please make sure that the recipient's name and class is written clearly on the envelope.

Carols in the Care Home

We have been invited to take the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children to the Glastonbury Care Home to sing carols on **Friday 2 December**. We will

be out from 10.30 – 11.30 and will travel by minibus.

Pre-School Swimming

Parents of the Pre-School Frogs and Tadpoles are invited to watch their children swim on **Thursday 1 December** and **Friday 2 December** respectively. Please check timings with the Pre-School staff.

Christmas Tree Decorations

We will have a special children's

Christmas tree in the entrance hall. In keeping with our environmental focus, all the children will bring home a fir cone on Friday (collected here at school) to decorate. Please return them to school at the beginning of next week so we can decorate the tree as soon as it arrives. (Further instructions will be on the bag.)





Christmas Gymkhana at the Stables

Thursday 1 December, 3.00 – 4.00 pm



All Pre-Prep riders are invited to bring fancy dress clothes to wear for the Christmas Gymkhana. The riders will be put into teams and dress the ponies as follows:

Thursday 3.00–3.30 group – Reindeer theme – Millie

Thursday 3.30–4.00 group – Father Christmas theme – Danny

Friday 3.00–3.30 group – Christmas Elves – Harley

Friday 3.30–4.00 group – Snowman – Wolfie

Please can the children bring tinsel, head bands etc. to dress the ponies – staff will discuss ideas with them at riding this week.

The children will dress the ponies first and then the fancy dress will be judged at 3.00 followed by a selection of festive gymkhana games. Parents are welcome to join in the fun from 3.00. **No riding on Friday 2 December.**

**** Reminder ****

Friday 2 December is the last day for Pre-Prep after school activities this term. After school care will continue to run during the last week of term. **We are very happy to look after additional Pre-Prep children on the last day of term whilst parents attend the Carol Service at Wells Cathedral.**

Please complete the slip below or speak to Mrs Berrow to detail your requirements **by Friday 2 December.** We will then be able to arrange appropriate snacks. Thank you.



After School Activities—Last week of term

Please return by Friday 2 December

Name of child

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Crèche 3.15 – 4.00 | | | | | |
| Late Club 4.00 – 5.00 | | | | | |
| Homework and Supper Club 5.00 – 6.00 | | | | | |