

Wentworth

The Joyful Learners



Newsletter: Christmas Newsletter November 2021



Children's Learning

The learning our children are engaged in continues to be both motivating and challenging. A number of children have been learning about animal habitats found in a woodland, while others have been acting out stories such as 'We are going on a bear hunt'. Some children have been developing their concepts of 'push and pull' which involved the children designing, making a rocket and investigating the notion of *force* to make a rocket move!



Applying to Primary School



If your child is four years of age by the 31st of August 2022, please ensure you have applied for a primary school place. Information can be found on the Hackney Education website: <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/primary-before-you-apply?guidebook=188>

Attendance



Please remember to phone the school if your child is unwell to attend nursery. If for whatever reason you are going to be late bringing your child to school and you come into school via the back gates, please come to the school office at the **front of the school** to inform a member of staff. Thank you very much for your co-operation in this matter.

Fund raising



We are asking for any donations of gifts we can raffle to raise funds for Christmas gifts for our children. We are aiming to raise £500. We need new gifts we can raffle. Raffle tickets will be sold at the school office from Monday 29th November. The raffle prize will be drawn on Thursday 16th December. Thank you very much for your support.

Extended Day provision



Our extended day provision fees will be increasing from £20.00 per session to £25.00 per session from the 1st January 2022. All parents/carers utilising extended day should have received a letter from us, if you have not please see the school office.

Snacks for our children



Just to remind parents/carers please send in some fruit to share with the children on a weekly basis. You can also make a donation to the school office if that would be easier.

Training and Development



Wentworth Nursery School continues to contribute to the professional development of early year's practitioners and teachers both within and outside of Hackney. During this term the school has contributed to training ten schools in Hackney focusing on curriculum and assessment and contributing to a national conference on effective early years practice.

Christmas lunch



Our Christmas lunch will be on **Thursday 9th December** for all children having a school lunch.

Christmas Jumper Day



Christmas Jumper Day is on **Friday 10th December**, we are asking families to make a £1.00 donation to support the children's charity: Save the Children.

Christmas Nativity performance



Our children will be performing a child's version of the nativity story. We will be filming the nativity performance and uploading it onto the school's website by Friday 17th December.

Christmas carols: Thursday 16th December



We would like to invite our parents and carers to join us in singing some Christmas carols outside in our garden, around a camp fire on **Thursday 16th December at 2.30 p.m.**; children who only attend in the mornings please bring them back. Parents who are able to attend can take their children home at 3pm.

Christmas party



We will be organising a Christmas party for all our children on the following days:

Thursday 16th December for our afternoon children in our two year old room

Friday 17th December for all our morning two year olds and all nursery aged children (full time, part time am and pm). Please note we are inviting our afternoon nursery children to attend in the morning as school ends **at 11.30am for all children.**

We will be asking parents to bring in a selection of foods for the children's party; foods include: fruit, cut cucumber and carrot sticks, humus, pitta bread, bread sticks, small cakes (no nuts please). We will be having a list of foods for parents to sign up to the week commencing 13th December at the front and rear of the school.

Dates

Last day of extended day will be Thursday 16th December. Please note the last day of term is Friday 17th December @ 11.30am. All children return on Wednesday 5th January 2022. We wish you all a very happy and safe holiday.

Autumn Term

- Last day of term: Friday 17th December @ 11.30am

Spring Term

- INSET days: Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Children return Wednesday 5th January 2022
- Half Term: Monday 14th to Friday 18th February 2022
- Last day of term; Friday 1st April 2022 @ 11.30am

Summer Term

- INSET day Tuesday 19th April 2022
- Children return Wednesday 20th April 2022
- Half term: Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022
- Last day of term: Thursday 21st July 2022 @ 11.30am

On behalf of all staff and governors we wish you all a very happy Christmas and a wonderful new year. We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 5th January 2022.

