



Rockwood Nursery School

Autumn 2015 Newsletter



A Few Reminders

Snack Sharing - Please can your child bring in a piece of **fruit for each half day session** they attend. Thank you.

Wednesday Donation (for all children) - £2 per week. We use this for all sorts of additional activities like the Pushpanjali Dance, special events like pantomimes and chick hatching, Christmas and leaving gifts, party food, drinks when you come to Stay and Play, animal visits and our turtles etc. Without the donations we cannot provide these for your child. You can pay termly for the donation if you wish - please ask for more information.

Outside play - please make sure you send your child to nursery with suitable warm clothing e.g. coat, hat and gloves (also please make sure there are name labels in all your child's clothing so that they can be easily identified). Thank you.



Important Information

Please take care and slow down on approaching the school.

Do not block our neighbours' driveways and vehicles, please try to park further away and give your children a chance to walk part way to school.

Please ensure you close and lock all gates and doors when entering and leaving the nursery.



Phones must NOT be used on the school site.



Holidays



Christmas

Close: Friday 18th December

Re-open: Tuesday 5th January

**Please note Nursery will be closing at 10.30am and 2.15pm on Friday 18th December 2015*

Lunch Club will be run as normal

February Half-Term

Close: Friday 12th February

Re-open: Monday 22nd February

Bye-bye Teddy's...we welcome you to Rockwood!

On the 1st September 2015 Teddy's Playgroup closed and Rockwood Nursery School extended its age range from 2 - 5 years.

We have all had a good think, spoken with the children and some of you..... and now we all have new names!



2-3 room - Hedgehogs

3-4 flexible rooms - Owls

3-4 sessional room - Squirrels

DIARY DATES.....

Wednesday 25th November: Individual & Family Photos

Tiny Pixels are visiting. If you wish to have a family photo taken, the photographer will be here from **08:00am—2pm** to do these prior to school opening. Children will be taken in their groups for photos throughout the sessions.



Special Christmas Events



The Snow Queen pantomime (provided from your weekly contributions)
Tue 8th Dec (AM)/Fri 11th Dec (PM)

Final week 14-18th December 2015 There will be Christmas celebrations and activities throughout the week. Songs and story from BEST music group.

Wednesday 16th December - Party Day So we can carry out our party preparations, the children will start nursery an hour later: **9.30am-11.30am or 1.15pm-3.15pm**. Children will visit Father Christmas in their coloured groups throughout the session. Feel free to dress up your children in party clothes.

Friday 18th December - Last Day of Term

Early finish, please see to the left re: early closing hours.





Primary School Admissions in East Lancashire 2016/17

This information should be read along with the main booklet "Primary School Admissions in Lancashire - Information for Parents 2016-17"

APPLY ONLINE

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

The closing date for applications is
Friday 15 January 2016



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Story Sacks

If you would like to take a story sack for your child then please make sure there is a member of staff present as these need to be checked in & out and the contents of the story sack need to be re-stocked.

Thank you for your co-operation!



Text Messaging Service

We ask every family to contribute



£3 per year to fund our text messaging service. This notifies parents of special events and urgent messages. If you haven't already contributed, this would be appreciated.

Health Protection Agency Reminders

As we move into colder weather when children are more likely to be ill, please see the government advice on

common illnesses

Type	Recommended Time Away from School
Chicken Pox	5 days from onset of rash
Cold Sores	None
German Measles	6 days from rash onset
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted and healed or 48 hours after antibiotic start
Hand, Foot and Mouth	None
Diarrhoea/Vomiting	48 hours after the last episode
Flu	Until recovered
Conjunctivitis	None
Tonsillitis	None
Headlice	None. This is a common childhood problem. Please treat your child with the appropriate medicated shampoo.

If your child is ill, please contact the school as soon as you know they will be absent, we worry otherwise :)

The Owls & Squirrels
'LITTLE ME' CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE
With your child & their Little Me
Please make a decoration for our Christmas Tree.
Entries due in by the 1st December.

The Hedgehogs
BAUBLE BONANZA
Get creative with your child and make a beautiful
bauble for our
Hedgehogs' Christmas tree.
Entries due in by the 1st December.

Nursery School Unavoidable Closures

Any unavoidable Nursery Closures, for example due to bad weather conditions will be displayed on Lancashire County Council's website at www.lancashire.gov.uk/education/school_closures

or parents can listen to Radio Lancashire - 103.9FM, 95.5FM, 104.5FM or 2BR - 99.8 FM.

Parents will also receive a text message from school as soon as we know we are closing.

Information updates will show on our website: www.rockwoodnursery.com and on Twitter & Facebook.