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Newsletter

November/December 2023

The topic for this half term is:
Parties



Term Dates 2023-24

Welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely half term break. This is an exciting term ahead as we approach Christmas and especially as our theme this half term is Parties!

AUTUMN 2023

Half term: 23rd-27th Oct
TERM ENDS: Fri 15th Dec
(Early close at 12pm)

SPRING 2024

TERM STARTS: Tue 2nd Jan
Half term: 12-16th Feb
TERM ENDS: Thur 28th Mar

SUMMER 2024

TERM STARTS: Mon 15th April
May bank holiday closure: Mon 6th May
Half term: 27th - 31st May
INSET: Mon 3rd June
TERM ENDS: Fri 12th July

Letters and themes of the week:

w/c 30th Oct – **k** (Birthday party preparations)
w/c 6th Nov – **e** (Birthday party preparations)
w/c 13th Nov – **h** (Birthday party celebrations)
w/c 20th Nov – **r** (Birthday party celebrations)
w/c 27th Nov – **m** (Other celebrations)
w/c 4th Dec – **d** (Christmas preparations)
w/c 11th Dec – (Christmas celebrations)

Absence of children

We require a phone call or a letter every day that your child cannot attend preschool. The local authority has asked us to keep this information, so please support us in this.

Please phone the Ark number (**07999 550674**), not the admin number, if your child is absent that day. If you know in advance of an absence, or if it is for a longer period of time we require a letter please.

We reserve the right to contact parents if your child is absent and we have had no contact.

Dates for your Diary

- Fun in the Forest days (at Wellington) will continue on Mondays and Thursdays in the Autumn term. We will pause these sessions for December and January to allow time for our Christmas activities and our keyworker consultations. The last day in the forest this term will be Thursday 30th November.
- w/c 13th November - Stay and Play Week
- Tuesday 12th December 9:30am - Nativity (All children and parents)
- Friday 15th December – Christmas Party (All children)
- w/c 8th and 15th January - Keyworker consultations



Christmas Cards

Thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas cards and gifts with their child's artwork on. These will be arriving later in the term and sent home with your child. This does raise valuable funds for The Ark so we do appreciate your orders!



For any general enquiries, email Poppy Brown (Administrator) at admin@thearkpreschoolcrowthorne.org.uk or call on 07827 892397. If you need to speak to a member of staff urgently, or your child cannot attend, call the Ark setting on 07999 550674 between 9.15am – 12.15pm Mon – Fri.