TheOrchardNursery
Updates and Reminders
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FOR THE DIARY:

- Photos –As a high proportion of parents ordered the photos. Debs is busy preparing them and will be back by early next week. (11th Nov)
- Tuesday 10th December at 9.30am Pre-School nativity performance. (Letters out this week)
- Thursday 12th December at 9.30am baby and pear room Christmas Sing-a-long. (Letters out this week)
- 13th December - Term time only children finish for Christmas.
- Christmas Jumper Day – Fri 13th December.
- Christmas Closure - The nursery will be closed from 1pm on Tuesday 24th December
- Re-open – Thursday 2nd January 2020.
- Term time only children return – 6th January 2020.

Great Oakes Visit's

The children have loved visiting the residents at Great Oakes Nursing Home.
We will be visiting the nursing home every other week to provide the children and residents with the opportunity to develop their confidence in different social situations, increase their self-esteem and enable them to learn about others and feel connected to their community.
The pre-school children are visiting at present in small groups and we will be swapping groups after Christmas. Everyone has loved singing songs, reading stories and generally chit chatting to one another.

Christmas Jumper Day

We are taking part in Christmas Jumper day to raise money for "Save the Children". This will take part on **Friday 13 December.** We would kindly ask for a donation of £1 to go towards the charity.

Is your child due to start school in September 2020?

Was your child born between 1st Sept 2015 and 31st August 2016? You need to apply for your chosen school by either:-
Creating an account online and submitting an online admissions form
If you live in Bournemouth or Poole search:- **BCP School Admissions** or see below .
https://bcp.cloud.servelecsynergy.com/parentportal/account/add.aspx
We do have paper applications in the office, so please see Emma or Carol for more information.

Closing date for applications is: 15th January 2020

Schools in the area will be holding open days over this term to help when deciding which schools to apply for.
During the open day you can visit the school during a working day. You'll be able to visit classrooms, and often pupils will show you round and talk to you about their school. We will be putting any information we receive about open days on our Facebook page or by email. See below.

Deadline for 30 hour Funding

The 30 hour funding is allocated on a termly basis.
If your child turns 3 years old this term and is eligible for the 30 hours funding, they will receive funding from 1st January 2020. The deadline to apply and receive the 30 hour extended funding code is:

31st December 2019

If you miss this deadline, extended funding will not be allocated until April 2020.

30 HOURS FUNDING

It is your responsibility to reconfirm your code every three months so you don't lose your funding.
You will receive a reminder from the Government and takes 5 minutes to reconfirm. We don't need this code.
It is your responsibility to reconfirm. If this is not completed and eligibility finishes, then extended entitlement sessions will be stopped or you will be invoiced for payment of care already received.
All 3 and 4-year-olds in England already get 15 hours a week of early education. If you are living in England and working over 16 hours per week, 3 and 4-year-olds may be entitled to 30 hours funded childcare. If eligible you will be entitled to access the 30 funded hours from the beginning of the term following your child's 3rd birthday. Please access the Government's website.
https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/ Once you have received your code (Starting with 500) please let us have your code and a completed funding form so we can verify your code with the local Authority. Forms available in the main entrance or on Bournemouth Early Years website.