

### Dates for the Diary

#### **Inset days**

Thurs 20th December 2018  
Fri 21st December 2018  
Mon 22nd July 2019  
Tues 23rd July 2019

Autumn Half Term      Mon 22nd - Fri 26th Oct 2018  
Christmas Holiday      Mon 24th December 2018 - Fri 4th January 2019  
Spring Half Term      Mon 18th - Fri 22nd February 2019  
Easter Holidays      Mon 8th - Mon 22nd April 2019  
Summer Half Term      Mon 27th - Fri 31st May 2019  
Summer Holidays      Wed 24th July - Tues 3rd September 2019



### Parent Management Committee

Chair - Jenny Marshall Trustee  
Treasurer - Christine McGarvie Trustee  
Secretary- Rebecca Kingston Parent & Trustee  
Preschool Manager - Amanda Davies Trustee  
Preschool- Samantha Kuflik Trustee  
Avril Woodford- Community member & Trustee  
Georgina Jones- Parent committee member

**We need your help!** If you shop online please could you sign up to Easyfundraising to support Impstone Preschool, Tadley?

We want to raise as much as possible, so please visit our new Easyfundraising page at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/impstonepreschooltadley/> and click 'support us'.

It's a really easy way to raise money for us—you just use the Easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well-known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.Com, eBay, Boden and M&S, plus when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation at no extra cost to you!

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Thank you!

### Autumn/ Winter Topic

#### 'Yummy Tummies'



The children enjoyed the 'harvest' theme this term as well as looking at 'Trick or Treat'.

As we continue our theme of 'Yummy Tummies', we move into 'Thanksgiving' throughout November & onto 'Christmas' in December.

In November the children will be looking at books linked with our topic as well as hibernation and nursery rhymes as we also celebrate Nursery Rhyme week!

December sees us looking at Christmas books:)

As we promote healthy eating in our setting, please can I remind you that **NO CHOCOLATE OR SWEETS** are allowed. Any items will be removed from your child's lunchbox and sent back home.

### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

When parking at the Preschool, please **do not use** the disabled bays unless you have a Blue disabled badge, which allows you to do so; please park respectfully in a designated space only. When we are expecting a large number of cars into the car park at one time, the back field car park will be open.

Don't forget that children are required by law to travel in a car seat until they're 12 years old or 135 cm tall, whichever comes first! Any child not seen properly restrained in a car seat will be reported to the police. As with all aspects of our Preschool children's safety is paramount.

Please be aware that nut products, including Nutella spread must **NOT** be brought into the setting for snacks or lunch.

### 30 hour Funding Entitlement

30 hour funding began in September 2018; are you entitled?

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/30-hours-free-childcare-eligibility>
- Make sure you apply before **31st December** to receive your funding for the **Spring 2019** term.

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## HALF TERM CHALLENGE!

After half term we will need lots of leaves, conkers and other Autumn items for our crafts!

Why not take your children on an Autumn walk to find as many things as you can, including lots of different colours too!

Please could the items be dried before sending them in to preschool.

You could also make our own Autumn pictures which we will put up in the setting:)

We'd love to see pictures of your Autumn walk, so remember to add them to Tapestry!



## NURSERY RHYME WEEK

Week of 19th – 23rd November is national nursery rhyme week and at Impstone we are looking at nursery rhymes through November!

What nursery rhymes do you and your child enjoy?

You will find lots of free resources on the link below to help you join in at home!  
[www.musicbugs.co.uk/world-nursery-rhyme-week/](http://www.musicbugs.co.uk/world-nursery-rhyme-week/)

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

At the beginning of November, we will start taking our photos of your children which we make in to Christmas Cards to sell.

We aim to send these photos out to you by mid November so we can get the completed cards to you for sending to Family & Friends by the beginning of December.

We sell these cards either individually, packs of 5 or packs of 12. More info will be given out along with the photos.

## MONTHLY PARENT SONG & INFO SHEET

Don't forget we send out info at the beginning of each month of the songs and topic for that month. We sing these songs with the children every session and it would be great to hear the children are doing this at home with you too! Remember, you can record your children singing these at home with you and add to your child's Tapestry account.

## WELLIES AND CLOTHES FOR OUT-DOORS

As the cold and wet weather closes in, we will still be trying to get the children outside as much as possible.

Please can you ensure your child has suitable clothing for outdoor play and wellies if possible. While we have spare clothes and wellies, we don't have enough for all children and we want to ensure all children have the same chances of outdoor play.

**PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER TO NAME ALL ITEMS!!!**

## Events for the coming year...

- Wednesday 31st October 2018 - Halloween Party (Children only)
- Thursday 13th December 2018 - Nativity at Bishopswood Infants School (Children only)
  - Friday 14th December 2018 - Tadley School (Children only)
- Wednesday 19th December 2017—Christmas Party (Children only) & Carol Concert (Family)
  - Thursday 28th March 2018— Easter Party (Family)
    - Thursday 2nd May- Family School Trip
  - Thursday 23rd May 2018—Sports Day (Family)
  - Thursday 18th July- End of Term Party