



Parley Pre School Newsletter

November 2023



Hello Everyone! Winter is definitely creeping up on us, especially now the clocks have gone back. The children are still enjoying being outside and our welly walks are becoming a highlight of the day!

We wanted to say a big thank you to all of you who completed our Halloween Hunt, the children have enjoyed sharing the photos with their friends at Pre School. Mrs Billinge had the fab idea for the hunt and she is also going to do something for Christmas too!

We have decided to change our terms dates to keep them as close as we can with the local schools. Previously we have always broken up earlier and gone back later than the schools but we appreciate this can be hard for parents. Our last day before the Christmas holidays will be on Friday 15th December 2023. We will also be returning earlier after the Christmas holidays and will open again on Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

Christmas is a really busy time for us at Pre School and we have got some exciting Christmas plans in mind. We will let you know more details in the near future.

New Term Dates

Autumn Term 2023

Term Starts Monday 11th Sep

Half Term : Monday 23rd - Friday 27th
October

Term Ends Friday 15th December

Christmas holiday : Monday 18th
December – Tuesday 2nd January 2023

Uniforms



Lots of you have ordered uniforms and the children look great in them. They have been proud to show off their uniforms which has been lovely to see. Please can we remind everyone to name all items of clothing including coats, winter hats and gloves. It makes our lives a lot easier when we can reunite bits of clothing with the original owner!

Spare Clothes

In the wet weather it is also really helpful if your child can have a bag which they leave in pre school with a change of clothes including socks.

Staff Changes

We now have less staff at the Pre School and felt we were a bit top heavy with 2 joint managers! Due to the way the current roles work Leanne (Mrs Blackley) has decided to step down and will be the Deputy Manager. Rachel (Mrs McDonald) will continue as Manager. Leanne will continue to be our designated safeguard lead if you have any safeguarding concerns and also our SENDCo.

Sadly Mrs Iles has decided not to return after her maternity leave. We would like to thank her for everything she did for Longham Pre School and wish her all the best for the future.

We are pleased to let you know that Mrs de Costa (who many of you will remember from Longham Pre School as she completed her Level 2 training with us) will be joining the team for 2 days a week which will increase to 3 days after Christmas. Mrs de Costa is great with the children and has a lovely caring nature. We believe she is a great addition to the team.

Parley Place Care Home

We have been invited to Parley Place Care Home with the children on a regular basis. There has been a lot of research recently on the benefits of intergenerational experiences for both the elderly and for children. We are excited to be visiting for the first time on Tuesday 7th December and are looking forward to the new experiences and activities that the children will encounter.

