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Term Date

Monday 29th October- Thursday 13th December



What are we exploring this term?

Bonfire night - How to stay safe, explore colours, lights & sounds.

Armistice day - Thinking about others

Diwali- Monday 7th — 15th November we will be finding out about the Hindu festival of light. We will be tasting various foods and exploring what happens during this festival.

19th – 22nd - Nursery rhyme week

3rd – 6th December – Hanukkah is the Jewish festival of light. Caterpillars Christmas stay & create!

10th – 13th - Christmas party week 😊

Fete News

Our fete is fast approaching! We really hope to see many of you there.

Volunteers for the fete preparation are very welcome. Help is required to run a few stalls.

You don't have to volunteer for the 2 hours, any time is greatly appreciated.

We would really welcome any donations to support our fundraising event.

Bottles of wine for the tombola

- Good quality toys and books
- Unwanted gifts we can use for the tombola or raffle
- Cakes!

Our cake stall is very popular and this is all down to our amazing parent donations. A list will be provided for you to list your cake donations in the cabin.

Cakes can be donated on the morning of the fete.

Thank you for your support! 😊



Photographer

Monday 19th November

The pre-school photographer will be in. If your child does not attend that day or you have siblings you would like to have photographed, please arrive on Monday 19th November at 9:00.

World Nursery Rhyme Week

Monday 18th —22nd November is World Nursery Rhyme week. Learning and singing nursery rhymes help us develop an ear for our language. Rhyme and rhythm highlight the sounds and syllables in words. And understanding sounds and syllables helps children learn to read 😊

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Christmas Stay and Create

We would like to invite you to our Christmas arts & craft morning where you can make wonderful pieces of art with your child! Come & get messy & have fun! Dates for this are Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th December from 9AM. Craft morning takes up to one hour. ☺

Please inform a member of staff which day you would like to attend.

Learning Journeys will also be available for you to take home to share with your child and family.

Your child's end of term report will be included. Please ensure you leave comments and sign to say you have read the report before returning the Learning Journey. The comments enable us to contribute further your child's education and we can reflect on how to improve.



Reverse Advent

This year we have decided to participate with a reverse advent rather than a raffle. We often talk with your children about kindness to others and think about giving. We would like to collect donations for the Colchester food bank this Christmas. An advent box will be out daily through December with a daily Christmas scene. Please explore this with your children and share the meaning of giving with your children. ☺

Christmas Party Week

Our Christmas party week begins Monday 10th December. Your child may wish to dress up in party clothes/ Christmas outfits/dress up outfits or pyjamas!

We request party food donations for party week. A list will be provided for very welcomed donations.

Santa Claus will also be making a visit. He will be coming at 11:00 on Wednesday 12th December. If your child does not attend that day and you wish your child to see Santa, please come to the cabin for 10:45.

Siblings welcome. Pushchairs will need to remain outside due to lack of space.

Useful Links

www.caterpillarspreschool.org

School lunch menu is available bellow.

www.birch.essex.sch.uk/

Our facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=caterpillars%20preschool%20birch>

Bags to School

Please return these bags on **Wednesday 14th November** by 9:00 leaving them behind the silver Ford Focus KH56 GAA in the car park. The bags will be collected that morning therefore bags must arrive by 9:00

(If you wish to leave bags at the beginning of the week as your child does not attend Wednesday, please leave them behind the focus on Tuesday.)