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THE TIMES

Some of you eagle eyed parents may have noticed an open letter in the Times yesterday (Thursday 5 December). If this is the newspaper of your choosing please go to page 40 and read the letter. I will upload the a copy of the letter this mailing for you to read.

One of its points is that "The government shout about free childcare but tells us this funding is not intended to pay for meals or consumables and that parents can expect to pay for these." I find this really difficult to explain to parents. It's free but it's not really free. I do not have all the answers as to how tax payers money should be spent, if I did I would apply for the job of Prime Minister! But I am concerned that all political parties are trying to win your votes with offers of "free" childcare. If you are thinking that this maybe a winning issue for you, could you examine it in closer detail to find out what "Free" really means?



If your child has sickness or diarrhoea they will have to stay away for 48 hours from the last bout. This helps everyone else stay healthy.

It was an absolute pleasure taking the pre-school and nursery portrait pictures this year! As always, a delight to photograph.

You can order and pay for your picture online and it will be delivered to Kindie Joes for you to pick up.

If you do not have a card to pay online with, you can choose 'Pay Later' at checkout. If you are paying by cash, please can you leave the money with Louise by 9th December? I will be ordering the pictures on **10th December 2020**.

How to view gallery and order:

- Click Gallery Link attached, Open Gallery
- Enter your email address
- Enter Password: **kindiejoes**
- To Order: Click the 'shopping cart' or when the picture is in full width, choose 'Buy Photo'
- Once the product is chosen, click 'Checkout'
- Enter Name, Address, and Telephone
- Choose Payment Method
- NOTE: ALL ORDERS TO BE PICKED UP AT KINDIE JOES

<https://carolinethorntonphotography.shootproof.com/gallery/11137379>

GALLERY live until 9th December 2019.

Any problems with the gallery, please contact me directly.

Cazza x Call: 07810 285 510



Dates to remember:

2019- 2020

Wed 4 September - Tues 17 Dec

Thursday 19 December - Mum's night out The Haywain txt 07773 346604 for info.

Monday 16 December 11:15 - Our Nativity performance & Christmas party for all the children

Wed 8 Jan -Fri 3 April (17 Feb - 21 Feb, 1 Week)

Friday 14 February - School Kitchen closed bring a packed lunch

Mon 20 Apr - Tues 21 Jul (25 May - 29 May, 1 Week)

Our Session times

Morning 8:40-11:55 Afternoon 12:10 -15:10 School Day 8:40-15:10

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Invoicing:

- Invoices will be sent monthly from September to June and are payable in advance at the beginning of the month
- Invoicing will be for actual sessions so the amount will vary each month
- The final invoice in May will include June & July sessions

You can access copies in Famly in the "Balances" section.

If you have any invoicing queries please speak to Rani on Tuesday/Wednesday or send a message using Famly.

FAMILY

Famly is our Administration platform.

We use it to

- store your children's information on it
- give you the opportunity to report absences
 - communicate with the staff team
 - send invoices
- keep you informed of your child's progress on our learning journey
 - send our weekly newsletter

Health & Safety

We would prefer the older children not to play on the play equipment they are a little too big and

1. May hurt themselves
2. May break the equipment

Please take care.

Staff News

Manuela has started her apprenticeship and will qualify within the next 18 months. During this time she will have to lead activities, write evaluations, observations and develop her interactions with staff and parents.

Good Luck Manuela, we are all behind you.



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You may notice that we sometimes leave out a bucket with books in.

This is our unofficial lending library. While you are waiting for us to open up, let your child choose a book or two, enjoy them at home and return them.

You can add your thoughts to your child's learning journey on Family



Attendance Matters

Please ensure your child attends their regular booked sessions. They are at time in their lives where consistency of attendance matters.

Car Park

Thank you for not parking in the school car park.



Outside Play

Weather at this time of year is extremely changeable and we do love out outdoor play.

Please remember to send your child with a coat,



I thought I would add some preventative advice about nits and headlice. Sadly this is one of the downsides of having groups of children together. However I do need to emphasise that although these little beasts are annoying they do not cause harm.

Good advice is **once a week take a peek**. When you wash your child's hair, once a week use a conditioner and using a nit comb look through your child's hair. This should prevent the beasts getting too comfortable. Should you happen to come across the pests ask one of the local pharmacists for their recommended preparations and let us know so that we can warn others to be on the look out.

Another preventative measure is just to brush your child's hair everyday. I know that not all children like having their hair brushed but nor do the little beasts!

Uniform



Can be ordered from

www.myclothing.com

We do a lot of messy activities and wearing the uniform saves your home clothes.

I have been very impressed with the rucksack too.



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School Application

If your child was born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016.

You need to make your application to school by 15 January 2020. I would suggest that you complete your online application before Christmas if you can. Information about applications have been on previous newsletters which you can see on our website or please speak to Louise.

Thinking of applying to St Joseph's Catholic primary school?

If you are and you attend St Joseph's Catholic Church did you know that you must "sign in"?
If you want to know how please ask Louise.

Our First Nativity

The children have started to learn the songs and some have even tried on their costumes.

The production take place on **Monday 16 December** In **St Joseph's Church**.

We would invite you all to bring your children to the Church for **11:15**. We are starting a little bit later because Pooh Corner are having their Christmas party.



You will be able to park in the Church car park for the performance.



The First Nativity should last about 30 minutes.

We will be providing most of the costumes, anything you may have to provide should be simple wardrobe items. Please do not worry.

The preschool children will have a stand up part and these we allocate by age and order of appearance. If you know that your child will not be able to attend could you tell us now so that we can make amendments to our script.

We do ask you to sit back and enjoy the performance and not to take photographs or video during the performance. **If any of you would like to video it for us, please let me know.**

After the performance we will come back to the nursery for the party.

There will no normal session on the day.



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Information if your child is having Lunch

MONDAY	Cheese & tomato pizza with herby diced potatoes Glamorgan sausage with herby diced potatoes Homemade carrot soup with homemade bread SIDE: Winter vegetable slaw & baked beans DESSERT: Great balls of fruit**	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
TUESDAY	Fishwich (oven baked crispy pollock in a soft roll) with potato wedges Vegetable fingers with potato wedges One pot tuna pasta SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables DESSERT: Fruit yoghurt selection	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
WEDNESDAY	Roast British chicken with sage & onion stuffing, roast potatoes & gravy Quorn fillet with sage & onion stuffing, roast potatoes & gravy Hot chicken bap with sage & onion stuffing SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables DESSERT: Cheese 'n' crackers	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
THURSDAY	Build a burger with baked tortilla chips Margherita pizza with garlic dough balls Classic beef meatball sub either naked or in a homemade tomato sauce SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables DESSERT: Fresh fruit with crème fraîche*	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
FRIDAY	Roast gammon served with home (non fried) fries Vegan nuggets with home (non fried) fries Fish finger & crushed pea wrap SIDE: Baked beans & sweetcorn DESSERT: Rainbow sponge with custard	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

Important Information about the Future of School Lunches

Sadly we are not able to absorb the cost of the meals any longer. We have consulted with parents whose children currently attend school days and they have overwhelmingly agreed to pay for their children's school lunch. I am grateful to all the parents for their responses and for the very positive feedback. Thank you. Your future invoice will include the cost of the school meal for sessions you have booked.

If your child does not currently attend a school day but you are considering it for the future please be aware that the additional cost of lunch is £2.30

A little reminder about how to wash hands.

First wet your hands



Then add soap



Next rub hands to make bubbles



Finally rinse and dry.



Below is the link to information about school meals:

<http://twelve15.mysaffronportal.com/Menu>

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This Week



This week we have been busy with all types of Christmas crafts. Hope that these photographs aren't spoilers!

Most of the children have written a letter to Santa and we walked to the post box to post them. Sadly most of the children were too little to reach the box. They needed a little bit of help.



And these children representing the number two with their fingers.

It was not all about Christmas though. Some of the children are becoming so grown up being able to play in a small groups, taking turns. Look at the boys above pushing their cars along the road they had made!

And these two using the programmable ICT toys



It was a little cold this week and the children found some ice in the garden!



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FKYs - First Kindergarten Year Children starting school Sep 2021

Pre- Sch - pre-schoolers children starting school September 2020

If you want to understand more about what ages and stages of child development (when a child can do something), "What to expect, When?" is a really easy document to read. You can find it on our website on the policy page or you can buy your own copy by following this link: <https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/resources-and-publications/information-guides/what-to-expect-when-a-parents-guide/>



Date: Monday 9th December 2019

Early Years Foundation Stage - Weekly plan

Next Steps: PSED: Turn taking and sharing toys. **UW:** The Christmas story, ICT games. **PD:** Wrapping presents, puzzles, spooning balls out of the water. **Maths:** Collect the Eggs and Fill the Nest games, fishing for numbers. **EAD:** - Christmas crafts, colouring in, dressing up.

Atlantic room, Pacific room & outdoors.

AREA	Creative Workshop	Sand & Water	Construction & technical/ Malleable & tactile	Small world & imaginative	Mathematics	Exploration & investigation	Mark making	FKYs
MON	Christmas rubber stamps	Can you spoon the balls out of the water tray	Puzzles	Playmobile for Christmas village	Collect the Eggs game	Mystery Bottles	Still life poinsettia	Shapes/colours Following instructions
TUE	Father Christmas faces	The Icy North Pole!	Coloured balls in the black tray with spoons	Playdough Kitchen	Fill the Nest game	Heavy or light?	Cone painting	Shapes/colours Following instructions
WED	Baubles	Nativity in the sand	Wrapping presents Threading boards	Dressing up	Collect the Eggs game	Kim's game - Can you remember what's missing?	Christmas collage	Shapes/colours Following instructions
THUR	Christmas rubber stamps	Lids, tongs & bowls	Magnetic bead art Threading boards	Playmobile for Christmas village	Let's go fishing with numbers	Heavy or light?	Christmas colouring in	Shapes/colours Following instructions
FRI	Pine cone craft	Christmas shapes in the sand	Puzzle pets Jungle Express puzzle	Dressing up	Fill the Nest game	ICT games	Christmas stencils	Shapes/colours Following instructions
Outdoor physical activities this week:					Children's requests:		Makaton signs of the week:	
Tykes cars, climbing frame, crates, slides, see saws, trampoline, hula hoops, tyres & planks.							Happy Christmas	
Shapes of the week: (FKY/Pre-sch)				Books of the week:			Nursery rhyme:	Words of the week:
 Revise all previous shapes				FKYS: First Snow Pre-schoolers: Father Christmas Needs A Wee			Hickory Dickory Dock	Next to

You can find the Makaton Sign for Happy Christmas https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_8pq-TsILsE

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2018 -2019 Staff Team



Caroline -
DSL
PFA
Mon AM, Wed,
Thurs & Fri AM



Bernie - Deputy
PFA
Mon - Wed &
Fri PM



Bernisi - Deputy.
DSL
Tues, Thurs & Fri



Louise
DSL
PFA



Megan
PFA
Tues & Wed



Manuella
(Manu)
PFA
Mon, Thurs & Fri



Karen
Volunteer



Daisy
Volunteer



Annabelle
DSL
PFA
Mon, Wed & Thurs



Suzy - SENDCo
PFA
Mon, Tues & Fri



Jolanta
PFA
Wed - Fri

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PFA- Paediatric First Aid
DSL - Safeguarding Lead

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And for those of you feeling left out Lynda is now providing adult Ballet & Tap Classes for all (and no) abilities. So much fun!

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If you are looking for a childminder or you know
someone who is, contact Debbie now on

07743 072832

Rameh also has spaces you can contact her on **07583 193677**

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Is your child starting school in September 2020?

If your child was born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016 you will need to apply for a school place. You can apply between **04 November 2019** and **15 January 2020**.

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or you can call us on **0300 200 1004**.

Applying on time will give your child the best chance of getting one of your preferred schools.

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