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### STAY & PLAY

Our final Stay & Play for this year is on Thursday 20th November with a focus on Literacy within the early years.

### FUNDING

A special thank you to 'Welcome Break' for their kind donation of just over £2000 to the ELC. This money will be used to support outdoor learning with the purchase of new waterproof clothing and resources for the open areas and the forest.

### SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT

All children within the ELC will be taking part in a Sustainability Project throughout the remainder of this session. The project will be lead by Nicky and Rachel.

Updates on the projects progress will be provided in the newsletters and you will be invited along to help support the project in the New Year.

Sustainability focuses on a range of key areas across the curriculum. Please see the graphic below for the areas that we will be focusing on across the school and ELC.



### VICTOR VALUES

You may have noticed a new addition to the ELC when you enter, his name is Victor Values.



The aim of Victor is to begin to introduce the children to the values that make our ELC and school unique to us.

The values are as follows:

Respect  
Friendship  
Positivity  
Determination  
Trust

We would encourage you to discuss these values with your child to help support an understanding of what they mean. After the Christmas break a child will be chosen each week to receive a Golden Ticket from Mrs Hughes for displaying one of the values.

*A big thank you to the local crochet group who very kindly donated Victor to us.*

### PARENT COUNCIL UPDATE

The Parent Council AGM was held last week and the following members were elected.

Chair—Emma Spurlock  
Vice Chair—Rory Stuart  
Secretary— Emma Cronin  
Treasurer— Catriona Mitchell

We also welcomed several new members to the group including parent representation from the ELC. A big thank you to everyone that has joined. If you were unable to make the AGM but would be interested in joining the group please email

Douglas.Parent.Council@gmail.com

### Christmas Fair

The Parent Council Christmas Fair will be taking place on **Friday 5th December in the school hall from 9.30am—11.15am**. All family and friends of the school & ELC are welcome to come along.

Entry will cost £2 for adults which will include a drink and mince pie.

Another fantastic raffle has been organised for this year with the following top 3 prizes:

1st—Gaming Console  
2nd— £100 Cash Prize  
3rd— Christmas Lego Set  
Raffle tickets will be issued soon.

The Parent Council are looking for donations for the tombola stall. If you have any items for the tombola please drop them off at the school office.



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## NEWSLETTER 3 - CHRISTMAS PLANS



### CHRISTMAS JUMPERS/DRESS

Rather than having only one day designated for wearing Christmas jumpers we have decided that pupils and staff can wear Christmas dress any day they wish throughout the month of December.

We would like to create a Christmas clothing bank in the ELC, therefore if you have any items of Christmas clothing that your child has outgrown then please can you hand them into the school office.



### CHRISTMAS FOOD BANK APPEAL

During the month of December we will be collecting donations for the local food bank.

We would welcome any donations of non-perishable foods, toiletries and cleaning products.

Christmas napkins and treats such as selection boxes would also be greatly received.

We will be setting up a Food Bank Appeal table outside Mrs Hughes office where children can drop off any donations between the 1st of December until the 15th of December.



### CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our school and ELC Christmas Lunch will take place on Tuesday 9th December.

Nicola will be taking the lunch orders over the next few weeks during drop off. The options are as follows:

Roast Turkey with Gravy

Steak Pie

Creamy Vegetable Pie



### CHRISTMAS NATIVITY

The ELC Christmas Nativity will be taking place on Thursday 18th December at 3pm in the school hall.

All ante and pre school children will be taking part. Our 2 year old children are invited to attend as our VIP guests to watch the performance.

All family and friends are welcome to attend, no tickets will be required for the performance.

We hope to see you all there!



### CHRISTMAS PARTY

The ELC Christmas Party will take place on Friday 19th December in the morning.

We would ask that the children come in the morning dressed for their party. A change of clothes can be brought along if they wish to change after the party has taken place.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

A reminder of dates in the diary - dates in red are new ones that will not be on the Term 1 calendar, please add these to your paper copy of the calendar.

Friday 5th December  
Christmas Fair 9.30—11.15am  
(everyone welcome)

Tuesday 9th December  
Christmas Lunch  
(Please order with Nicola)

Food Bank Donations Close  
(Monday 15th December)

Thursday 18th December  
ELC Christmas Nativity 3pm  
(everyone welcome)

Friday 19th December  
ELC Christmas Party  
2.30pm close for Christmas!

