

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been a busy Autumn term so far at Ludwick. The children have been learning about Autumn and have enjoyed Autumn walks and hot chocolate around the bonfire. We have also marked Remembrance day and celebrated Diwali. We are now looking forward to starting our Christmas celebrations. Last week, I shared a letter from Herts County Council about the current situation in Israel and Gaza. We pride ourselves at Ludwick at being an inclusive and welcoming community. Whatever your faith, as Christmas time draws near, it is a time to think about peace and community. We hope that the community events we have planned during the Christmas season will provide a welcome opportunity to come together. Please see details on the other side of the newsletter for events happening in December.



Best wishes, Helen Ackerman (Head teacher)

World Nursery Rhyme Week

We all enjoyed taking part in Nursery Rhyme week. The children learned the rhymes and signs and we enjoyed singing together at the end of the week. Steven accompanied the children on the piano and we posted the videos on Class Dojo. Along side singing the rhymes, the children also enjoyed activities linked to the rhymes, for example maths activities linked to five currant buns.

Thank you very much for the sponsor money you have sent in. So far we have raised £1,385. We're very grateful for your generous donations.



Christmas Home Learning

Children and their families are invited to make a Christmas decoration to bring into Nursery. Please send decorations in from Tuesday 5th December.



Governor News

Stefanie Murphy stepped down as our Chair this term. She has been a great support to Ludwick and we are very grateful for her hard work. Sally Laflin and Harpreet Sehmbi have been appointed as Co Chairs and Jane Biddulph as Vice Chair. We also welcome Lesley Boyle as a new governor. Lesley works at the University of Hertfordshire in the Early Childhood Department, so we are looking forward to benefitting from her expertise.



Coffee Mornings

It was lovely to see so many parents at our first coffee morning back in October. During that session we talked about primary school admissions. Our next coffee morning is this Friday and we will be sharing information on children's health needs including toilet training, visiting the dentist and the support that is offered through the local Family Centre.

Friday 1st December—9am—9.45am in the Family Room

As well as a general chat, we will be sharing information on children's health needs.



What's happening in December....



Monday 4th : School closed for occasional day

Friday 8th: Christmas Jumper day—wear a Christmas jumper or something festive and bring a £1 donation for Save the Children

Monday 11th: Nativity Farm—the nativity animals from Ark Farm will be visiting for the day

Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th: Family Christmas Celebrations—join your child for Christmas crafts and songs around the tree. Normal session times apply, please join us for the hour time slot.

Monday 18th

Purple Morning and Red Morning – 9am – 10am

Purple Afternoon, Red Afternoon and Pink Afternoon – 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Tuesday 19th

Blue Morning, Lilac Morning and Gold Morning – 9am – 10am

Yellow Morning – 11am – 11.45am (Family Room)

Green and Orange (30 Hours) – 1.45pm – 2.45pm

Treetops Morning – 10.30am – 11.30am
(Treetops Room)

Treetops Afternoon – 2.30pm – 3.30pm
(Treetops Room)

Wednesday 20th: Christmas party sessions – please come dressed in party clothes. Hopefully there will be a special visitor!

Please note sessions are just for the hour party slot. If due to work commitments, you need your child to attend for their normal Ludwick hours, please let your keyworker know and we will arrange this.

Morning party 9am – 10am – for all morning children and 30 hour children.

Afternoon party – 1pm – 2pm for all afternoon children.