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AUTUMN TERM 01 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had an awesome start to the pre-school year. The children have settled into pre-school life so well. The children have been busy learning the pre-school routines and boundaries, making new friends and exploring the learning environment in and outdoors.

Christmas is just around the corner and Helen has been busy planning the Christmas Nativity. The performance will take place Tuesday 17^{th} December 2024 at St Gregory's Primary School in the School Hall. 1.30 - 2.30pm.

We will also be holding our Christmas raffle at this event, this raffle is our biggest fundraiser of the year. As you are probably aware Little Gregs Pre-school is an independent charity run early years setting. Having parents support with fundraising helps us provide extra-curricular activities and to maintain our high standards of providing good quality education.

Last school year our Little Gregs Families helped to raise £1,704.47. We would love to beat this total!! Parents are always welcome to help with fundraising events and share any ideas to raise money.

You can also help raise money through our easy fundraising account as you shop! Please scan the QR code below.



Kind Regards

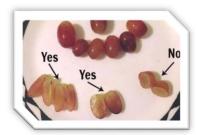
Sarah Wilkes

Pre-School Manager



Reminders:

- -If your child is absent you must inform the pre-school by 9am. Please phone or email. This has to be done for each day of absence and the reason for absence. 01789 290198 / littlegregs3506@welearn365.com
- -Water bottle needed for each session. Please ensure the bottle is clearly labelled.
- -Please provide nappies if your child uses them.
- -Please label your child's belongings.
- -No Nuts in snack boxes.
- Please cut up grapes.





DATES FOR THE DIARY	
Half Term	Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st
	November 2024
Return to Pre-school	Monday 4 th November 2024
Individual Pre-school Photos with	Tuesday 12 th November 2024
Tempest	
St Gregory's Christmas Fayre	Saturday 7 th December 2024
Christmas Nativity 1.30-2.30pm	Tuesday 17 th December 2024
Christmas Party for Children 1.30-	Thursday 19 th December 2024
2.20pm	
Last Day of Term	Friday 20 th December 2024
Christmas Break	Monday 23 rd December 2024 to 3 rd
	January 2025
Teacher Training Day - Pre-school	Monday 6 th January 2025
Closed to Children.	
Children Return to Pre-school	Tuesday 7 th January 2025

Individual Child Photos!

Are you looking for Christmas present ideas?

Paul will be visiting Little Gregs Pre-school to take individual photos. On Tuesday 12th November 2024, during the morning session. If this is not your child's normal session, you are welcome to come along to the pre-school at 9.15am to have your child's photos taken. Parents will need to stay on site.

TEMPEST







Cubs

Cubs have had a fantastic start, settling well back into our routine and beginning the term exploring colours. We have made pictures of yellow bananas, red apples, blue blueberries, green broccoli, purple grapes and an orange, orange!

We have got to know our new friends, enjoying playing together in our supermarket and building site role play areas, and having the opportunity to run around and kick balls on the MUGA.

In Chatter Matters, we have been enjoying our favourite nursery rhymes, joining in with singing and actions. We have looked at the stories of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and 'Three Little Pigs', following along with the help of visual cards.

At Nature Nursery we have explored the changing environment, collecting leaves and sticks to make autumn wands, owls and sun catchers.

From

Cubs Team

Lions and Tigers

As we reach the end of this half term, we are pleased to share how well your children have been settling into preschool. They have been busy exploring both our indoor and outdoor environments and are becoming familiar with our daily routines.

The theme 'All About Me', was enjoyed by everyone. The children walked about their likes and dislikes and explored how they look. They even created their own self-portraits, which they were very proud of!

As the term progressed, Lions and Tigers have been learning about the changing seasons and focusing on colours. They have enjoyed our weekly visits to Forest School, where they have been observing the signs of autumn and developing a deeper understanding of the world around them.

We have also shared many books and the classic story of 'The Three Little Pigs' with both groups. During role play, children have been acting out the story and building walls at our building site. Their creativity has also shone through in many autumn-themed crafts, including hedgehogs and spiders.

More recently, we have been learning about the Hindu festival of Diwali, the Festival of Lights. The children listened to stories about Diwali, decorated their own Ladoo with sprinkles, sang Diwali songs and even danced to Indian music, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

We hope you all have a wonderful half-term break. When we return, we will be focusing on the bonfire night and fireworks.

From

Lions and Tigers Team