

Dear Parents,

It was so wonderful to see so many of you at our Nativity last week. You must be very proud of your children, we certainly are. DVDs are now on sale, great gifts for all the family! £57 was given by you to our chosen charity - Refuge, thank you.

Thank you very much to those of you who helped at the Christmas lunch, between us 150 children were served!

Today we have our Christmas sing-a-longs at 11.30am and again at 2.45pm. We do hope you can make one of these times. Steve Grocott (or as the children refer to him: the music man) will be leading the singing at York Road at 11.30am and at Hazel Avenue at 2.45pm, staff will lead the other times.

Tomorrow 9-12pm we have our Christmas party with a very special guest! Please ensure that you collect your child at 12pm as there is no nursery after 12pm. Term ends at 12pm on 21st December for all children.

Tomorrow Millers ark will be bringing their farm animals to create a living nativity scene for children to pet and hold. There are two afternoon sessions 12pm – 1pm or 1.30 – 2.30pm. Please contact reception to book a place. Hazel Avenue children will have the opportunity to see the animals during their Christmas party.

Please save Christmas cards, wrapping paper and decorations (new or used) for us to use in the nursery with the children. The children understand much more what Christmas is about after they have experienced it first-hand therefore you will see us 'doing Christmas' in January!

Term starts again on Thursday 4th January, usual times. We will be welcoming new children from Monday 8th January.

We are sadly saying good-bye to Kelly who has been teaching at York Road for the fifteen months. She is off to explore new ventures. We will miss you Kelly, many thanks for all you've done.

Carina will be moving from Hazel Avenue to York Road to take on Kelly's role. Reshma will be starting at York Road as another key person.

At Hazel Avenue Sally Forsgate will be starting as a key person on Monday 15th January. She will be in Rachel's class. Kris (who the children know well) and Karen will be the teachers taking on Carina's group.

We all wish you a merry Christmas and a very happy new year. See you in 2018!

Kind regards

Sally Cave
Head teacher

Dates for your diary:

Spring term:

Thurs 4th Jan: Nursery term starts

Week beginning Mon 5th February: parent meetings

12th-16th Feb: half term with holiday club

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Mon 19th Feb: Centre closed for inset day 3

Thurs 1st March: 5-5.30pm Bedtime stories event

Tues 6th March 2.30-3.30pm and Thurs 8th March 9-10am: Everybody read together, parents invited

Fri 23rd March: sports day, parents invited

Thurs 29th March 9-12: Easter party with egg hunt. Term ends at 12pm. No afternoon nursery or tea club

3rd-6th April and 9th-13th April: Easter holidays with holiday club