



Dear Parents,

The following information sets out the arrangements for our end of term and Christmas events for December 2021.

Children in need. Friday 19th November. Children that attend our **Friday** session are invited to come to nursery dressed in something yellow or spotty for a fun morning at Ladybird. We will be collecting donations at the door into our Pudsey money box.

Christmas party Thursday 16th December.

Children come dressed in your party/Christmas outfit.

Children who do not normally attend this Thursday session are invited to be dropped off at the party at **10.30 and collected at 12.30**. We will be playing games and having a party lunch at 12 provided by Ladybird. Nursery will close for the Christmas holidays at 12.30.

Reindeer run, raising money for Chestnut Tree House.

Every Christmas at Ladybird we raise money for Chestnut Tree House the children's hospice in Arundel. This year we will do a daily run on the last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of term either in the hall or around the field track wearing our antlers.

Ladybird will provide antlers for all children and we kindly ask that you make either a cash donation to our chestnut tub or £3 can be added to next terms invoice.

Christmas craft and music.

On the 1st December we will be starting to learn some Christmas songs. We will also be busy making lots of fun craft activities which we will be bringing home at the end of term.

30-hour eligibility codes

Please remember to obtain your new codes for next term if you are in the grace period and email to me, please before the end of term.

Starting school September 2021

Online applications are open. Closing date for school applications is 15th January 2022. Further details on school readiness questionnaire attached.

Snack and lunches

Part of our Early years and OFSTED requirements are to encourage healthy, balanced and nutritious meals and promote oral health.

The first steps nutrition trust [http: www.firststepsnutrition.org/](http://www.firststepsnutrition.org/) provides information to support eating well from pre-conception to 5 years from experienced nutritionists.

Please could you provide your child with a named water bottle(**no juice please**) and a piece of fruit a banana or satsuma or chopped up fruit in a container in the lunch box. Milk or water and a breadstick is offered to the children at snack time Children will need a packed lunch if staying for a morning session.

No peanut butter, nuts, frube squeezey yoghurts, crisps or chocolate or sweets please. Packed lunches are stored in the classroom and should contain a healthy sandwich or pasta with perhaps some chopped up cheese or vegetables, carrots/cucumber etc or fruit and a small treat. Small containers are also much easier for the children to open. Please could small cheddar biscuits etc be put in a small pot. No packets please. Children may have yoghurts in a pot with their own spoon.

Spring Term.

Starts on Tuesday 4th January.

We are very much looking forward to all the Christmas fun with the children.



Charlotte.