# EARLY YEARS NEWS

#### Dear Parents and Carers

We had an amazing surprise visit today! If you were lucky enough to make it to the KS2 playground after school, you will know who I am talking about! A huge Trex called Terry and a baby called Jack visited our school and met with all the children.





Reception took part in a Fossil workshop in the morning where they got to find and identfy their own fossils. Once again our Reception children behavied impeccabley, the workshop leader, Chris, kept commenting on how well they listened and cooperated.





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Pamela Johnson Nursery

## Toddler groups Wednesday's 9.15 - 10.45 Upcoming dates

#### **December**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December Jolly Jar competition (Decorate a jar and fill it with sweets) Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 12.45pm and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> at 9.00am —Parent workshop on Communication

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas jumper day (Bring a £1 and wear a festive jumper to school). Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Reception Xmas Concert 2.00pm

> Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Nursery Nativity Concert 9.45am and 1.30pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Last day of term for Nursery Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Pantomime trip for Reception Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School ends at 1.00pm for the Reception and the rest of the school no ASC

#### January 2018

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Children back to school Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 12.45 and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> 9.00am – parent workshop on The Importance of Outside Play

#### Story writing in Reception



Navdeep in Hedgehogs did this lovely writing to go with his picture 'I go to shop'. He has only been with us a week!

## Work and Learning this Week

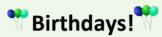








Connor and Arthur from Otters uncovered some sea living creature fossils, Connors was called an Ichthyosaurus, whilst Lacey, Yasmina and Nela uncovered parts of the huge Iguanodon's foot!



### Happy Brithday to Aisha and Aleyah from Otters class, they both turned five this week! **New Children**

We are delighted to welcom two new children to Hegdehogs class who started last week. They have settled well into Reception life and made some new friends already. Well done Navdeep and Yamin for making such a good start.



Thank you for all your donations so far. It's still not too late!

#### PTFA DATES

There are a few important events coming up that you need to put in your diaries for our run up to Chirtmas. Jolly Jar competition, you have until **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> of December** to decorate a jam jar and fill it with sweets. You can hand in your jars to the school office or your class teacher so perhaps get going this weekend!!!!



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December is Christmas Jumper Day, pay a £1 and your child can come to school in a festive jumper if they wish. The biggest even of all this term is the Christmas Fair on Saterday the 9<sup>th</sup> of December 12 – 3pm. Please come and join in the fun, or if you would like to volunteer and run stall, please email georgetompta@gmail.com

Last but not least we need donations, eg pocket money presents, toiletries, mugs, candels, books, DVDs, etc. Please donate gifts for our very popular POP-UP shop where children can buy their own gifts for their family and friends.



As you know school starts at **8.45am**. In Reception our gates are open before then so you can arrive a little early. Once your child enters the Reception area they should be able to say good bye, take off their coat, hang it up and put their book bag in the box, then take out their book folder if it's book change day. We are encouraging them to do this independently which means you can get away earlier! If you arrive after 8.55am you will need to walk round to the late gate (KS1 playground).

Have a great week!

Jessica Mendelssohn

**EYFS Lead and Assistant Head teacher**