

# George Tomlinson Early Years News!



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new term, we hope you enjoyed a restful week off with your children. It has been a busy week back as usual but the children have settled back quickly into school life.

Please make sure you get your children here ready to start school at 8.45am. Please encourage your child to take off their coat and hang it up independently. We are working towards children being able to do this and put their book bag in the correct box (Reception) by themselves, enabling the parents to get away quicker for a really smooth separation each morning.

Last week in Reception the children were retelling the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, the children have also been acting it out and making story maps. Please talk to your child about the story and see what they can remember. In the field on Wednesday, the reception children were making shapes using the resources available to them, this week they will be having a look at three dimensional shapes in the environment.

In Year 1 the children have been writing fact books about animals and also busy pursuing their own projects. Damian made a very impressive model of Leytonstone tube station with some help from his friends. He was inspired by some of the home work other children had done on making famous local land marks.

On Thursday we welcomed Grandparents into the school, it was lovely to meet and talk to them. The children were very excited to share their special books, and show them around their classes.

Last week the nursery children used pumpkins for a variety of different activities. They enjoyed carving, hammering, scooping, playing, cooking and exploring the different textures inside. On Friday they made a lantern out of one and Ms Cox told them a spooky story in a darkened book corner!

Just to clarify, Parents Evening is for Years 2 – 6. Nursery, Reception and Year 1 meet with parents after their child's focus week; your child's teacher will arrange this with you individually.

Lastly, please remember that we are a healthy eating school and sweets are not permitted in school at any time, even birthdays. Perhaps donate a gift or book for the class to share instead. The children have really appreciated this in the past and it lasts forever too!

Thank you for your support, have a great week

Jessica Mendelsohn

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### Weekly Events

Toddler group  
Every Wednesday 9am -10.45

Head Teacher Drop-in – Every  
Wednesday between 9:15 am and  
11 am (Please make an  
appointment at the school office.)

English classes for Parents and  
Carers – Every Wednesday at 3:30  
pm

### Upcoming Events

#### NOVEMBER

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> **OPEN DAY** 10.00AM  
and **OPEN EVENING 6.00**  
ESPECIALLY FOR NURSERY  
PARENTS APPLYING FOR  
RECEPTION 2019

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Reception trips to  
the library

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Maths parent  
workshop in Reception 3.30 –  
4.00pm Crèche provided for  
siblings

Please note change in date from  
last week's cancellation

#### DECEMBER

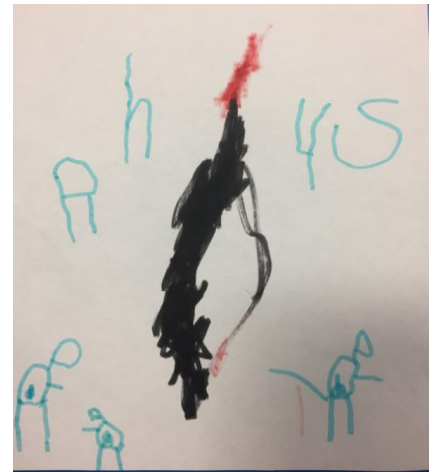
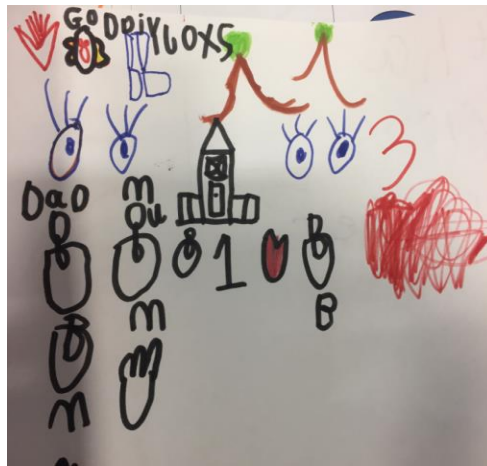
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> last toddler  
group before Xmas holidays

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Nursery Xmas  
concert

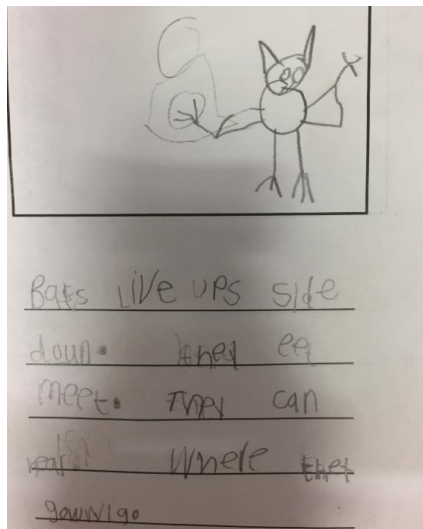
19<sup>th</sup> December Reception Xmas  
concert

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Last day of term  
whole school closes at 1.30pm

Happy Birthday to  
Tianna, Alex, Amarachi, Hannah  
and Amelia who all had birthdays  
this week, last week and over half  
term!



Eartha's story map and Rhys's volcano 'with three T Rex'



Anyaa's amazing facts about Bats! – 'Bats live upside down. They eat meat. They can hear where they are going' Also Damian's fantastic model station



Pumpkins and Halloween in Nursery