



## Newsletter - Term 1a (2 Nov to 17 Dec 2020)

### News / Fundraising

- Our children were all amazing as they rapped, bopped, discoed, jived, jazzed and street danced their way through our 20 hour 20 minute (and more) Danceathon. Congratulations to Laurelyn, Noah and Laurel for notching up the longest dance times.
- Sadly the Crowland Christmas Light's Switch on was unable to take place this year and we missed seeing you all there. We did however provide a Limited Edition version of our normal fabulous hampers - an adult and a children's - and as ever they were chock full of seasonal goodies and treat vouchers.

### What we have been learning about

As we near the end of an extraordinary year that was 2020 and the beginning of 2021, we have been reflecting on what makes our everyday life special and what we can do to make it even better. This includes families, friendships, kindness, caring and sharing the good things. We have discussed the meaning of Christmas and other cultural celebrations and the importance of these occasions that bring us together.

As well as creating surprises that we know will give pleasure to those we love - we have also collected festive food and small presents for the Community Larder that we hope will put a smile on the face of others.

### COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

If your child has any of the symptoms below you need to book a test for them and the whole family need to self-isolate for 10 days or until you get a Negative test result.

- A **continuous cough** is classed as a coughing fit which has lasted one hour, or three coughing fits within a 24 hour period. Occasional coughs which accompany a blocked or runny nose, sore throat and sneezes are not classed as a continuous cough.
- A fever or raised temperature of 37.8c or above (not a short spike in temperature).
- A loss of taste or smell or a **CHANGE** in taste or smell.

**Wishing you all a Happy New Year from the Staff &  
Committee of Abbey 345 Pre-School**

### Thank you

- To everyone who contributed to our Christmas hampers and to all who contribute to our regular Crowland Community Larder Collection box.
- To Nick and Jan Kirby (aka Jane's Mum and Dad) who following last year's mass snowman production line, have turned their talents to making adorable reindeer to brighten our festive decor and raise funds for preschool.
- Thanks to our local sponsors - Ultimate Reflections, Jackdaw Childcare & MP Auto Care.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### November & December

Franco, George, Arlo, Evie, Shelby, Becky, Ava-Grace,  
Riley, Laurel, Kathlina, Zachery, Eddie, Riah & Naomi.

### TERM DATES

#### Term 1b

2<sup>nd</sup> Nov to 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

#### Term 2a

4<sup>th</sup> Jan to 12<sup>th</sup> Feb



If your child is feeling unwell, please do not bring them into pre-school. If too many of our staff get sick we will not be able to open as we will not have sufficient adults to maintain the necessary ratios.

### Help your child at home

- Please help your child become an independent dresser, teach them to put their coats on, do buttons & zips up and put their shoes on.
- Look out for numbers and letters in the environment, children love to spot them and tell you what they are.
- Talk to your child about the seasons, how plants & animals grow, where certain food comes from etc
- Talk about their senses appropriately - taste, sight, hearing, touch & smell.
- Positional language in context - in, out, over, under, above, below etc.
- Remember to look on our windows, notice board and Facebook page for ideas, information & events.

## GALLERY

