



# Caldecote Day Nursery



## Newsletter November 2020

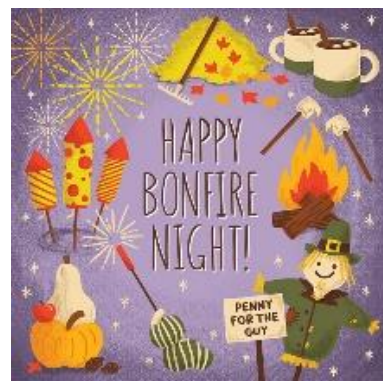
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### Safeguarding

**Safeguarding children's wellbeing is paramount for us at nursery. Here are some important safety messages for those of you having firework displays at home this year...**

- Have a bucket of water, or an appropriate fire extinguisher, close by
- Keep children a sensible distance away from the display - ear defenders are also a good idea
- Never hold more than one sparkler at a time
- Plan your firework display to make it safe and enjoyable
- Keep fireworks in a closed box away from the display area and use them one at a time
- Read and follow the instructions on each firework, using a torch if necessary
- Light the firework at arm's length with a taper and stand well back
- Keep naked flames and burning materials away from fireworks
- Never return to a firework once it has been lit
- Don't put fireworks in pockets and never throw them
- Ensure fireworks are directed away from people watching the display
- Make sure that the fire is out and surroundings are made safe before leaving.



### Covid – 19

We are continually risk assessing and following the government guidelines relating to covid-19. As we make changes to our operational plan, we will let you know.

Please remember: If your child or someone in your household has:

- a new, continuous cough,
- a high temperature,
- loss of taste or smell,

**You must not attend nursery under any circumstance.**

You must contact 111, get tested immediately and inform us of the outcome as a matter of urgency. If we suspect that your child has covid-19, you will be asked to collect them immediately, contact 111 and get tested.

If the outcome is negative, you and your child may return to nursery. If the outcome is positive, you will need to follow the 'Stay at Home' guidance as issued by the government.



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### TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY



Tempest Photography are back to take individual and sibling photographs on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November from 9am - 2pm**. These photographs will then be available for you to purchase. Tempest are a Covid secure company and all photographs will be taken in a separate room, in a socially distanced manner with our own staff posing the children where needed. Tempest photographs always make lovely gifts for family and friends at Christmas. If your child does not usually attend nursery on this day but you would like them to have their photo taken, please contact the office to make an appointment. Siblings who do not attend nursery are also able to come and have their photograph taken, but we are only allowing **one adult** per family. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

### Home Learning Ideas

Here are some ideas you could try with your child this month...

As the weather turns colder, talk about clothes that you might wear in the winter. Match hats to scarves and pairs of gloves.

Talk about fireworks and bonfire night. Use instruments to bang and crash like real fireworks!

Learn about Diwali, the festival of light and make colourful rangoli pictures using a range of colours.

Sing your favourite nursery rhymes and make up some actions to go with them. How many can you remember?

Try making our seasonal recipe of the month! Send us a photo of your efforts via ParentZone!

**Don't forget to send us a photo of your home learning via ParentZone.**



**ParentZone**

### Autumn Term 2020 Dates for your diary...

**We have rearranged some events so please check these dates carefully!**

**Tempest Photography – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November; 9am-2pm**

**Pudsey Party! – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November; all day**

**Baby Parent Meetings – 17<sup>th</sup> November (By appointment)**

**Toddler Parent Meetings – 18<sup>th</sup> November (By appointment)**

**Pre-School Parent Meetings – 19<sup>th</sup> November (By appointment)**

**Christmas Stay & Play – 5<sup>th</sup> December - **Cancelled****

**Pre-School Christmas Concerts – 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December (**online**)**

**Christmas Jumper Day – 11<sup>th</sup> December; all day, in aid of Save The Children**

**Babies Christmas Parties – 15<sup>th</sup> December; 9:30-11am & 1:30-3pm**

**Toddlers Christmas Parties – 16<sup>th</sup> December; 9:30-11am & 1:30-3pm**

**Pre-School Christmas Parties – 17<sup>th</sup> December; 9:30-11am & 1:30-3pm**

**Term Time Only Children - Term ends Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Closure – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December; 6pm**

**We re-open at 8am – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

### Harvest Festival Thank You!

Thank you so much to everyone who donated food to the Food Bank this Harvest. We collected 13 bags of shopping; a trolley full of items this year!



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### Parent / Nursery Meetings

Parent / Nursery Meetings are a great way to have some time chatting about your child with our staff. We will be holding these in two ways this year.

1. Meet with staff in a socially distanced way at nursery, wearing a mask / PPE.
- or
2. Book a telephone appointment, where we will call you to discuss your child.

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Baby Room Appointments**  
9:30-11:00am; 1:30-3:00pm; 4:00-5:30pm

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Toddler Room Appointments**  
9:30-11:00am; 1:30-3:00pm; 4:00-5:30pm

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Pre-School Room Appointments**  
9:30-11:00am; 1:30-3:00pm; 4:00-5:30pm

To offer these times and days, appointments may be with a Room Leader rather than your child's keyworker. Please see staff from your room at either drop off or pick up time to arrange an appointment.

**Christmas Parties** – It was important to us that we hold our annual Christmas Parties, but we have adapted the way that we are going to do it this year. Each room will have an allocated 'party day' where children can come dressed up in festive or party clothes. We will hold two parties on that day (one in the morning and one in the afternoon) so if your child does not usually attend nursery, you can sign them up to one of the time slots, at no additional charge. This will ensure that we do not have too many children in the building at any one time and minimise the number of parents dropping off and picking up. Days and times are as follows:

**Babies – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December; 9:30-11:00am or 1:30-3:00pm**  
**Toddlers – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December; 9:30-11:00am or 1:30-3:00pm**  
**Pre-School – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December; 9:30-11:00am or 1:30-3:00pm**



If your child usually attends nursery on their allocated party day, you do not need to sign them up separately, they will already be included in the fun – perhaps even twice!

**Stay & Play / Pre-School Christmas Concert** – We are sadly unable to offer these activities in the usual way this year...but watch this space for more information on how we will be offering these exciting events!



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**Pudsey Party! – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**  
**We will be raising funds for Children In Need on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November by asking children and staff to dress up in spots, something yellow, bear themed or just your favourite clothes and take part in some fun activities for Pudsey! We will also be collecting donations throughout the week so please give what you can.**



This month's seasonal recipe to try at home...

## Toffee Apple Bread & Butter Pudding



### Ingredients:

- 3 red dessert apples
- juice 1/2 lemon
- 4 tbsp golden caster sugar
- 397g can caramel
- 6 brioche finger rolls, sliced into rounds
- 3 eggs
- 400ml full-fat milk
- 200ml double cream
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- ice cream, to serve (optional)



### Method

1. Core the apples, then slice into rings about as thick as a 50p piece. Toss through the lemon juice and 2 tbsp sugar.
2. Spread about 2/3 of the caramel over the base of a large baking dish (ours was 20 x 30cm).
3. Layer the brioche and apple rings in the dish in overlapping lines.
4. Dot spoonfuls of the leftover caramel here and there, leaving bits of apple poking out.
5. In a jug, whisk the eggs, milk, cream, vanilla extract and 1 tbsp sugar.
6. Pour the mixture over the brioche and apples, making sure it's all well covered, then wrap in cling film.
7. Set aside for at least 30 mins, or overnight, in the fridge.
8. Heat oven to 170C/150C fan/gas 3. Uncover the pudding and scatter with the remaining 1 tbsp sugar.
9. Bake for 45-50 mins until the top is golden and the custard has set.
10. The caramel should be bubbling around the edges and the pudding puffed up. Serve with vanilla ice cream, if you like.



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## Our October Learning!



### Christmas & New Year at Club Caldecote

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2020 – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021



	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2020	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2020	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2020	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
<b>Craft</b>	Baubles decorating 	Christmas art 	Christmas Placemats 	New Year party hats 
<b>Cooking</b>	Hot chocolate & marshmallows 	Banana Pancake Snowmen 	Prepare Christmas Party Food 	Mocktails 
<b>Group</b>	Christmas Karaoke 	Christmas movie 	Charades 	New Year Party 
<b>Physical</b>	Town visit to see decorations 	Caldecote Park 	Christmas Disco 	Caldecote Park 



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