

Winter Newsletter

Welcome

Welcome to our Winter Newsletter at our Princess of Wales Day Nursery. We would like to say a big hello and warm welcome to all our new children and their families. 'Croeso' - We are looking forward to exploring many new play experiences and curiosities throughout the Winter months with all our nursery children, and of course we can't wait for the Christmas festivities to begin.

As we come to the end of the year, we would like to reflect on our year so far and say a huge thank you to all our new and existing families. Without your support we wouldn't be the nursery we are today, and of course a special shout out to all of your amazing children who with their individuality make our staff feel like children again! We Thank you all for making our nursery day an enjoyable one. Here's to 2026!

Shout outs!

Recently we have undertaken our Environmental health inspection. We're proud to celebrate **Kerry** for her outstanding work and for achieving a **5-Star Rating**. Kerry's dedication, attention to detail and commitment set a high standard for excellence. Thank you, Kerry, for your hard work and professionalism—you truly make a difference!

I would like to say a massive thank you to all parents for you quick and thoughtful feedback on our questionnaires. To all our new and current children- thank you for inspiring us to be creative, for reminding us why we love what we do, and for allowing us to be a part of your journey!

As a Manager I would also like to thank all the staff for their continued support and dedication. Your hard work in ensuring the smooth running of each room, along with your evident passion and love for the job, truly makes a difference.

We are delighted to welcome **Leah** as the newest member of our Baby Room team! Leah brings a warm, caring nature and a genuine passion for supporting young children. Her gentle approach and enthusiasm for early years care will be a welcome addition to our nursery.

We're excited to have Leah join our nursery family and look forward to the positivity, dedication, and fresh ideas she will bring to our Baby Room.

Please join us in giving her a big, friendly welcome!



Congratulations, Beth!

We are overjoyed to share the wonderful news that Beth has welcomed a beautiful baby boy—**Brody**! Mam and baby are doing well.

Brody's arrival brings so much joy, and we know Beth will embrace this new chapter with the same warmth, strength, and kindness she shares with all of us. We can't wait to meet the newest little member of the family.

Please join us in sending Beth and baby Brody all our love, congratulations, and best wishes as they begin this journey



Important Dates for your diary

December

1st- POW Schoolhouse tradition- Tree dressing day
(please all bring a Christmas bauble in for our tree, homemade or bought)

8th- Christmas craft evening- We are welcoming parents into nursery to join in the fun

12th- Christmas jumper day (come in wearing a Christmas jumper)

16th - Polar express day, Please join us in wearing comfy clothes or PJs

18th – Christmas Party

23rd – Christmas Dinner day

24th- Christmas Eve, **Times 7-5**

25th – Christmas Day (Nursery Closed)

26th- Boxing Day (Nursery Closed)

31st – New years Eve -Times 7-5

1st -January (Nursery Closed)

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14th – Big Garden bird watch
17th - Chinese/Lunar New year

18th- Winnie the Pooh Day

23rd -St Dwynwen's Day

February

3rd- 7th National Story telling week- (please bring in your favourite story to nursery)

7th - National Wear Red Day (Children's heart awareness)

5th-11th - Children's mental wellbeing week

14th – Valentine's Day

17th – Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day

17th - Random Acts of Kindness Day

20th- Love your Pet Day (children can bring in photographs of their pets)

28th- Ramadan

March

1st – St Davids Day

5th – World Book Day

8th - International Women's Day

15th - Mother's Day

17th - St Patricks Day (children to wear green)

Parents Notice

As the cold winter weather is slowly creeping up on us, please remember to dress your children in appropriate clothing for the daily weather conditions. As part of our daily routine, the children use the outdoors regularly, so we kindly ask parents to supply a warm winter coat, woolly hat and gloves or a raincoat/ puddle suit with welly boots- a spare change of clothes/ socks in their bag is always welcome!

If you would like to bring wellies in to keep at nursery, please make sure you clearly label them with your child's name on both boots, these will be kept in our welly box in the lobby area.



Tips for keeping your child well this winter

- Good hand hygiene
- Wrap up warm when outdoors
- Drink plenty and eat healthy
- Stock up on medicines
- Get plenty of sleep
- Keep vaccinations up to date
- Avoid sharing water bottles or food

What we have enjoyed doing at Nursery.

We recently observed Remembrance Day by reflecting on the sacrifices made during World War One. The children took part in a two-minute silence and enjoyed listening to the stories and engaging in themed activities. The created beautiful observational paintings of poppies using apples and red paint and also designed their own poppies with red play dough. These activities not only helped them learn about the significance of the day but also supported their fine motor skills and sensory development.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old, Age shall not weary them, nor years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."



Our Pre-school and Toddlers have embraced one of our cherished Schoolhouse traditions- finding a Christmas tree in Ty Cerrig Christmas Tree Farm and decorating it with our special family baubles.

We warmly invite children to bring in a special bauble from home to hang on our nursery Christmas tree! This festive tradition is a wonderful way for each child to add a personal touch, celebrate their creativity, and help make our tree sparkle with joy and holiday cheer.



Winter Wish List

This Winter we would like to expand our children's curiosity by enriching our play environment with familiar objects from home including cultural clothing and accessories. We would like to embrace the cultures of all of our families, and kindly invite you to help us collect the following:

Things for our home corner

- Cereal boxes, empty plastic food containers (eg. Hot chocolate tin, coffee tin, biscuit tin) washing liquid bottle, washing conditioner bottle, washing tab tub and more if you can think of any.
- Baking tins/ utensils

Role play activities

- Empty and clean nail varnish pots, Empty and clean makeup pallets, make up brushes, hair brushes, broken straighteners, hairdryer(wires cut off), old cleaned hair brush, old clean hair rollers.
- Old work uniform (eg. Tesco polo, beauty tunic, chefs hat)
- Old hats, bracelets, Cultural clothing (eg. Sari, Kimono, Sarong, Kilt, dai cap)

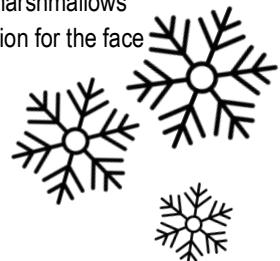
Mud kitchens

- Kitchen utensils, large spoons, whisks, rolling pins and more if you can think of any.

Try making some healthy Christmas snacks at home

Ingredients

- 2 Medium bananas
- 4 Strawberries
- Paper straws/wooden skewers
- Small marshmallow
- 4 mini marshmallows
- Decoration for the face



Method

1. Peel and cut the banana in half, until you are left with four pieces, lay to the side for later.
2. Cut the top off the strawberries (green part) lay to the side for later
3. Take a large marshmallow, using a clean scissors cut the marshmallow into four sections approx.. 1 ½ cm in width.
4. Pick up your skewer and thread the banana onto it, do the same with the marshmallow and then the strawberry to make the hat. Lastly get your mini marshmallow and thread on the top.
5. Using an icing pen draw on two eyes and a nose

(Optional- You can use chocolate drops and a smartie/jelly sweet for the nose if you wish, like the picture above)

Write a review

Thank you for your recent Parent questionnaire feedback, we love to hear what you have to say about the nursery and service we provide! In addition, we kindly ask for parents to comment on our daynurseries page.

We have made writing a review easier by supplying you with the link below.

<https://www.daynurseries.co.uk/review/submit/65432129311/rccid/1012>

Thank you for your time in completing a review, Diolch.

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To help us organise activities smoothly, we kindly ask parents to **submit preferred flexi-dates at least one month in advance**. Early notice ensures we can accommodate everyone and provide the best experience for your child.

All payments are to be made by the 1st of the month for the month ahead.

A late payment fee of £20 will be added for any late payments.



Remember!

Children will be getting messy and creative at nursery, so we kindly ask that they don't wear their best clothes when attending.

Please ensure your child's bag contains spare clothes, so we can change them if their clothing becomes messy or wet during activities.

Remember!



Has your child had the Nasal Flu spray this year?

Find out more at

Phw.nhs.wales/fluvaccine

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**Do you work 16 hours or more a week?
Is your child aged 3 or 4?**

If so, the Welsh Government might be able to fund up to 30 hours of childcare per week. For more information about what is available and how to apply, please contact Denbighshire Family Information Service

01745 815891

www.denbighshire.gov.uk/childcare
childcareoffer@denbighshire.gov.uk



Is your child aged 3 or 4 years old?

Are you eligible for 30 free hours?

Unsure, just ask a senior member of the team and we can help