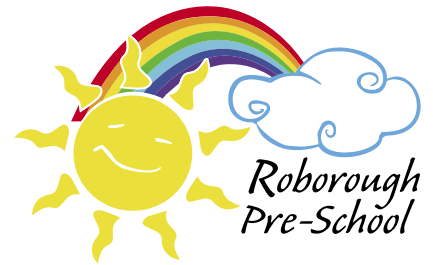


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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

This is the last Newsletter for this Autumn term as we make our way towards the Christmas break. I know you will all agree it has been a tumultuous few weeks but as always, with all of your amazing support, we are all feeling more positive and settled.

Myself, Sam and our previous committee members cannot thank you all enough for sparing the time to attend our last two meetings. It is clear that you share our passion of not only preserving our particular style of preschool but also having the energy to move it forward to ensure it's continued longevity. The minutes from our AGM will be issued shortly and details of our new committee members will be included.

During the last few weeks of this term we are providing lots of fun and varied activities around Christmas and practising lots for our children's Christmas Carol concert that we hope to share with you.

Here are more details of upcoming events for you before we break for the Christmas holiday:

Bickleigh Down Primary school Nativity Dress Rehearsal - Monday 5th December

On Monday 5th December we have been invited to watch Bickleigh's KS1 Nativity dress rehearsal in the morning. This will only affect those children who attend during that Monday morning session. I have already contacted the parents of those children this is not appropriate for and made alternative arrangements to replace their session.

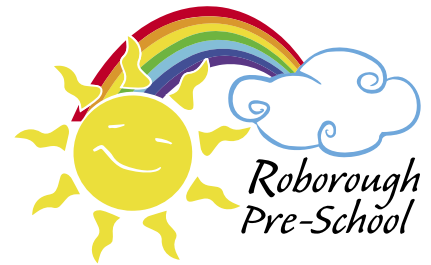
Thank you also to those parents who have accepted our invitation to join us and supervise the children in our walk to and from the primary school and during the nativity. A risk assessment for this outing is in place and you are welcome to see a copy of this on request. ***Please do speak to me if you have any questions or concerns about this outing.***



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Parents' evening

As usual we are planning to hold a parents' evening at the end of the term. This term it will be held on Wednesday 14th December from 4pm onwards. These will be short informal chats (approximately 10-15 minutes) about your child and how we feel they are progressing in preschool. We will not be issuing reports unless your child is due a review for a support plan if they have one. We would recommend that the parents of children who do have a support plan (a My Plan) do try their best to arrange a time to meet with their child's key worker for an update and review.

Sam and I will be contacting you all very soon with available times if you would like to attend.

Christmas Party

We plan to hold the children's Christmas party in the afternoon of Friday 16th December from 1.30pm. We plan to have party games and dancing until 2pm and then a light Christmas afternoon tea (Sam and I will organise the food and table decorations). At 2.30pm we will invite parents to attend to watch our short Christmas Carol concert.

We will then hold our Christmas raffle before leaving at 3pm. We will ask parents who have to bring their child to the party to come in through the side door from 1.20pm onwards (I will make a note in our register of attendees). Parents can then come back at 2.30pm for songs and our Christmas raffle. We have some fabulous prizes so please don't forget to return your tickets stubs (and money) asap. If you need more raffle tickets, please ask at the door.



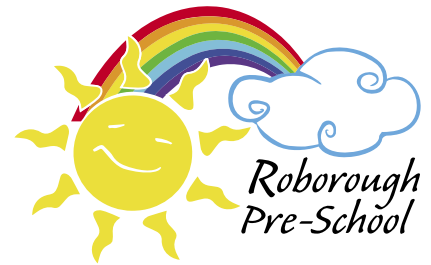
Preschool AGM

Thank you all for your support during our AGM. The attendance was amazing and we thank those parents who attended by Zoom. Thanks also to our parents unable to attend but asked for an update the following day after sending their apologies.

The minutes from this meeting will be issued very soon but I wanted to reassure everyone that we now have a new committee who will be very much supported by our previous committee members as they transition into their new roles. This has offered huge reassurance to our staff and to the continued sustainability of our preschool. I personally want to thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

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Danielle's farewell party

Thank you to everyone who donated towards Danielle's leaving presents and for your kind words of thanks for her commitment to our preschool during the last 15 years. We had a lovely farewell party for Danielle and I know that it was exactly how she wanted to say goodbye to all of us. She is still greatly missed. Danielle has settled well in to her new administrative role and is happy in her next chapter in her career. Her new colleagues are nearly as nice as us!!

New staff member

It is with great pleasure that I can inform you we have appointed a new member of staff and I am even more happy to let you know that she is a familiar face who can also start with us before the new term! We would like to welcome Nicole Hayward (Brody's mum) to our team, starting on Monday 5th December. With our upcoming walk to Bickleigh for their nativity dress rehearsal I cannot think of a better way to start her new role at Roborough preschool.



Nicole has a huge amount of experience working in Early Years and is very excited to be joining our team. She is highly motivated and passionate about what we do at Roborough preschool and I know her knowledge passion and skills will be a great benefit to us. Sam and I are really looking forward to working with you Nicole.

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Term dates for Autumn term 2022

Friday 16th December 2022 - Last day of term

CHRISTMAS PARTY!! Friday 16th December from 1.30pm in preschool

Tuesday 3rd January 2023 - Spring term

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need support in any way at all.

Best Wishes from Marie, Sam and Nicole.

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