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**Christmas time**

Playgroup is now in the full Christmas swing; the children continue to be busy creating a range of Christmas crafts. This week we are making polar bear crafts, next week we will be baking gingerbread biscuits.

**Lunch boxes - fresh fruit/vegetables**

Children should have at least one portion of fresh fruit/vegetables in their lunch box.

**Wrapping up warm**

During this colder/wet month, please ensure children are sent to playgroup with a warm coat, and other warm clothes items such as hats, gloves, and scarfs.

**Lending library news**

Some of our children have achieved their ‘5 books’ and ’10 books’ award this half term. The children love bringing their books back after sharing them at home with their families. They tell us all about the book and who they read it with. They have a stamp on their library card and work towards their certificates.

**Awards for 5 books go to**

Lewis

Arlo

Eli

Jenson

**Awards for 10 books go to**

Amaya

Jackson

Grace

Paddy

**Headlice**

Please ensure you check your child’s hair regularly and treat if needed. Further information of treating headlice can be found here [Head lice and nits - NHS (www.nhs.uk)](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/)

**Christmas hamper**

Tickets for our amazing Christmas hamper are now on sale.

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Staff have kindly donated lots of yummy Christmas food and snacks including cheese, crackers, Prosecco, mulled wine, Buck’s Fizz, crisps, chocolate, Christmas pudding, mince pies,

hot chocolate, biscuit making kits and lots more.

Tickets will be £1 per number on our 100 square.

Cash or bacs to playgroup and we will pick out your numbers.

Account: 00176633

Sort: 30-91-41 (child’s name as ref)

Good luck 🎄

**Christmas party**

Friday 15th Decemeber, 1PM – 3:15PM

At Playgroup

Christmas/ Partywear

Parents to drop off

If your child normally attends on a Friday, there will be **NO CHANGES** to their session times. They will continue with their day as normal, we just wanted to inform you our party will be taking place in the afternoon.

Playgroup will then close for the Christmas break, and we will re-open on Thursday 4th January.

**School applications**

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, you will need to apply for a school place for September 2024. **The deadline for applications is 15 January 2024.**

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-admissions/>

**Key person meetings**

In the new year we will be offering key person meetings, more details about this will be given nearer the time.

**Updates**

We are very proud of our website, where we display all our information; this will also be updated regularly with events and dates. This is available at: www.strattonplaygroup.uk.

We also have Facebook and Instagram - please find us as **“Stratton Playgroup Bude”.**

Monthly newsletters – these will be emailed to you each month.

At the end of each session a small description of the session will be written on the easel, outside – weather dependent.

**Term Dates**

Christmas Party Friday 15th December PM

Last Day Friday 15th Dec After our Christmas party

Start of Spring Term 2024 Thurs 4th January

Half-Term Fri 9th - Fri 16th February

Last Day Thurs 28th March

Start of Summer Term 2024 Mon 15th April

Bank Holiday Mon 6th May

Half-Term Fri 24th May - Fri 31st May

Long Weekend Fri 21st - Mon 24th June

Bags for school collection Thurs 13th June

Last Day Thurs 18th July

Leavers Party Fri 19th July

Thank you for your time in reading **this newsletter**, if you have any questions please speak to a member of staff.

Kelly and all the team 😊

  