



December 2020

Number 7

Stepping Stones at Elburton



A message from the Stepping Stones Team...

We are so pleased to tell you that we are now able to bring back singing into preschool. We have guidelines to follow and this will be done in small groups in ventilated areas, and outside where possible. It's wonderful to hear their little voices, especially now that Christmas is approaching. Exciting time of year!! There will be news coming out next week of how we will be able to share our nativity with you.

Filming and editing is almost complete!!!



Thank you for continuing to adhere to the social distancing at pick up and drop off of your child. It is challenging, but important, while we are trying to keep everyone safe in these difficult times. We are now asking you to wear a mask if you are able and remain behind the 2 metre line. Please can you also make sure that if you have other children with you when dropping or collecting preschool children, that they stay by your side, and

do not go to meet siblings at the door. We want to prevent our bubble of children being compromised. Also, please make sure that no equipment outside the preschool is touched by other children as, these will have been sanitized.



Christmas Jumper Week. Elburton School have a Christmas Jumper Day each year to raise money for Save the Children Appeal. As our children come in on all different days of the week we are extending this to let the children wear their Christmas Jumpers all of the week and beyond if they want to. If you feel you want to donate please click on the link. The link for the Just Giving page is:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cjd200011742?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=cjd200011742&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=1809f945645846dbb08b5b9053660a34

Christmas is fast approaching, and although things will be different this year, we will still be having great fun with fabulous seasonal learning opportunities planned for the children. The last week of the term will be **"Party Week"** and we have some amazing ideas lined up for that!!

IMPORTANT

Primary School Admissions if your child is due to start primary school next year please note that the deadline for admissions is January 15th 2021. For further information please follow the link below. <https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/schoolseducationchildcareskillsandemployability/schooladmissions/applyschoolplace/applifyinfantorprimaryreceptionorfoundationschoolplace>

30hrs Funding: 30 hr funding applications need to be in place before the term it is due to start. If you are accessing 30hrs funding for your child, please remember that you need to re-confirm your child's eligibility online, 3 months from when you first applied. It is the parent's responsibility to keep this up to date and retain the additional funding for your child. New Parent declaration forms come out at the beginning of each term. Funding forms for January will be coming next week via Parentpay.

All that is left to say is...have a wonderful Christmas from all the Stepping Stones Team. Our last day is Friday 18th December. Our first day back is Tuesday 5th January.



Have fun!!

2020-2021

02-11-2020 - 18-12-2020
05-01-2021 - 12-02-2021
22-02-2021 - 01-04-2021
20-04-2021 - 28-05-2021
07-06-2021 - 20-07-2021
03-05-2021 May Bank Holiday

2021-2022

06-09-2021 - 22-10-2021
01-11-2021 - 17-12-2021
06-01-2022 - 18-02-2022
28-02-2022 - 08-04-2022
26-04-2022 - 27-05-2022
06-06-2022 - 22-07-2022
02-05-2022 May Bank Holiday

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Dates for your diary

- **11th December**
Christmas jumper day
EPS
- **18th December**
Last day of term
- **5th January** First day back

15th January 2021 Primary school admission Deadline

Please note. Preschool Closes at 3:30. Late collections will incur a 'Late pick up' charge.