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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Autumn term has been racing round and it is hard to believe there are only 2 weeks left of this term! We have lots of fun Christmas activities planned for the remainder of term including card making, Christmas baking, Festive stories, songs, crafts and lots lots more! Plus we hope to see you all at our Christmas Fair on the 16th.

If your child is in over the holidays - don't forget to check our opening hours as we will be closed for part of the holidays.

A big thank you for all your support throughout the year. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 8th January 2018.

Thanks very much

Jo and The Children's Triangle Staff Team

Staff News

Due to an increase in the number of children attending the Nursery, we are delighted to **welcome Amy, Ali, and Jess** who join us from our sister nursery Wellington. Amy and Ali have already started and Jess will start in the New Year. All 3 bring with them lots of experience and passion to their new roles.

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 11th – Friday 15th December – Christmas Party week – more details to follow.

Friday 15th December – Last day of Autumn term.

Saturday 16th December, 11am – 2pm – Christmas Fayre. Everyone welcome for lots of Festive fun and activities.

Monday 25st December – Monday 1st January (inclusive) – Nursery Shut for Christmas Break

Friday 5th January – Nursery shut (staff training day)

Monday 8th January – First day of Spring term.

Welcome to Siana who recently qualified as an Early Years Educator after successfully completing an apprenticeship at our Buttons and Bows Nursery.

Congratulations to Mel – who successfully completed her level 2 apprenticeship with us. Mel will stay with us whilst she completes her level 3 training.

Farewell to Lauren – who has left the Triangle to join our new sister Nursery 'The Nature Den'. We will miss her and wish her well in her new role.

Holiday care – We still have some spaces available for paying care over the Christmas holidays. If you would like to book your child in please speak to Jo or Skye.

Just to remind all our families that from February 2018, holiday care for Triangle children will be provided at our sister Nursery: The Nature Den. The Nature Den is located next door to St Thomas's church on Bramford Lane (formerly owned by Little Sprouts). Sarah will be based at this setting during the holidays to ensure your children feel safe and secure.

Forest schools – we have had a busy and fun packed Autumn term in the forest. We have been learning about the forest boundaries, visiting the shoreline, discussing the change in seasons (for example looking at the colour of the leaves and discussing the sound of leaves crunching under our feet), making swings in the trees, climbing, jumping, making seesaws, going on bug hunts, imaginative playing in a pirate ship and so much more!

At this time of year, we often get asked if the children get cold when they are out. The answer is no – the children are always wrapped up very warm and always remain active. Winter is a great season to be outside learning and exercising and we believe germs are more likely to spread indoors than outside in the fresh air!

If you have any comments or concerns on your child's development or progress, please contact your key worker, Sarah (Nursery Senior and Forest schools Practitioner) or Jo (Nursery Manager).



The Christmas Fayre

We look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 16th December, 11am – 2pm. We are on the look out for tombola prizes so if you have any unwanted Teddies in good condition or unopened gifts or tins we would love to hear from you. We are also on the look out for bakers to donate cakes/ buns for our cake stall. Thanks in advance for your help.

All money raised from the Christmas Fayre will go directly towards new resources for the children. We are currently saving for new sensory equipment and a new outdoor shelter.

Everyone is welcome – so don't forget to mention it to all your friends and family. Lots of festive fun guaranteed and a chance to see Santa in his grotto.