

DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



Ashtead



'OUTSTANDING'

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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us at Pre-Prep Ashtead

Luckily our shepherds were on fine form on Wednesday as they made sure they kept track of their pesky sheep. Our performance of 'Hey Ewe!' with all of the sheep in order, was a triumph. Mums and Dads were full of praise for the confidence, enthusiasm and sheer delight they saw in their children as they performed this wonderful nativity. The children have had such a great time preparing their play and I think we could tell from their faces, how much they loved performing for us all. Great job everyone! You have made us all so proud!

This week has been such fun with many Christmas activities taking place in all the classrooms. There

are specks of glitter twinkling in every nook and cranny! Christmas lunch yesterday was absolutely delicious and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Today Fran-tastic entertained us with many Christmas capers and Father Christmas paid us a very special visit. What a brilliant last week of term.

I'd like to say a big 'THANK YOU' to all the staff here at Pre-Prep Ashtead. Their dedication, brilliant enthusiasm and wonderful care has given all the children a fabulous term of learning. Have a great Christmas everyone and we look forward to seeing you again in the New Year.

Tessa Roberts

Don't Forget

- **Mon 18 - Fri 22 Dec** - Downsend+ and Pre-Prep+ are in action for lots of Festive fun
- **Thurs 4 Jan** - Start of the Spring Term
- **Mon 8 Jan** - Clubs start
- **Tues 16 Jan** - Tots in Tune starts back for the Spring Term





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Golden Board

Achievements in class work, good manners and excellent behaviour are celebrated in a special Assembly every week.

We congratulated the following children today:

First Steps

All of First Steps for their amazing singing at their 'Elf Extravaganza' Christmas celebration.

Rising Reception AP

Rising Reception SR

Reception CH

Reception JW

Year One

All of Rising Reception, Reception and Year One for an exceptional Christmas Nativity

Well Done!

Spring Term

Please look out in your inbox for your spring term calendar and lunch menus.

Sports Update

What a super term of sport at Ashtead Pre-Prep, with brilliant ball skills in the first half term and fabulous football skills in the second half term. The programme of study that has been implemented is to develop a range of fundamental skills which can be used across a variety of sporting situations.



In Reception we have been practising sending a ball to a target using an underarm throw. The children have been very successful in building their accuracy and in gaining understanding of what makes their throw successful. In football we have been practising keeping the ball close to our feet and under control. Great concentration skills from all the children has seen them making excellent progress.

In Year One the children have developed their throwing techniques still further to include chest passing and catching. Both are difficult techniques for younger children as they require strength in their passing and fearlessness in their catching. During football, we have been looking at close ball control with secure passing to a team mate. We even had a World Cup shoot out where we witnessed

some amazing goals of which any international player would be proud.

The children have had lots of fun and much progress has been made. Well done to everyone and we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year!

Jo Hawes
(PE Teacher - Downsend Prep)



Winter Wonderland - Wow! Thank You DAPA



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