

# DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



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**Weekly outdoor learning  
with Woodland Forest**

Friday 14 December 2018

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### Message from the Deputy Head Teacher

I hope everyone enjoyed watching the Christmas concerts over the last two weeks, I certainly have !

Our Christmas activity day was a huge success on Tuesday with a special visit from Father Christmas and two of his reindeer helpers Tornado and Flash.

A big thank you to the Friends for organizing such a magical time for the Children.

As this is the last newsletter of 2018, I would like to thank Mrs Booth, all the staff, parents and children for being so supportive over the last half term.

I know Mrs Brooks is very grateful too and looking forward to being back with us in January.

All that is left to say is everyone at Leatherhead Pre-Prep wishes you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year ! See you in 2019 **Miss Hodges**

### A miracle in town

Reception started the week off with a fantastic performance to their parents and grandparents. This was followed by a fun packed day on Tuesday of Christmas crafts and a visit from Father Christmas and his trusted reindeer. The children have thoroughly enjoyed all of the Christmas activities.

We hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas break.

**Miss Ellis, Miss Grimstone & Miss McInnes**



### Fun with Santa

On Monday Year 1 performed their Christmas play 'Ralph the Reindeer'. Everybody spoke and sang beautifully and we are all very proud of you all. This week we have been taking part in lots of fun Christmas activities.

We have met Father Christmas and fed real reindeers, made cards and calendars and lots of Christmas decorations

**Mrs Butcher**



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### Christmas fun in First Steps.....

First Steps have had such a busy week getting ready for Christmas. On Tuesday we had so much fun at the special Christmas activity morning. We learnt a new dance routine with Mrs Hardwick, fed some reindeer on the field and then met Santa in his grotto. We then went back to the classroom for lots of Christmas craft and made some special crowns to wear for our Christmas lunch. **Mrs Potter**



## Oh Deer !

The children had such a lovely morning meeting two very special reindeer - here is Oscar being brave and feeding them. We learnt that reindeer are prey animals. They have eyes on the side of their faces to keep watch for predators and we learnt this useful rhyme - "eyes on the side we hide, eyes at the front we hunt." **Mrs Laverock**



## Relax into Christmas

Rising Reception have enjoyed their "Relax into Christmas" week and have had fun making reindeer food, hot chocolate and marshmallows, Christmas wreaths and trees and lots of Christmas craft. They especially enjoyed Tuesday's activity morning which ended with a delicious Christmas lunch. **Miss Corden & Mrs Hampshire**



## Don't Forget

School re opens Tuesday 8 January 2019 at  
8.00am, 7.30am for breakfast club .





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## Saturday Sports Clubs

With the term nearly at its end, we wanted to thank you for your continued support of Saturday Sports Club. It is great to see so many children continuing to attend and enjoying themselves, particularly as the weather turns colder. We will look to recommence on Saturday 12 January and run until Saturday 30 March, excluding half terms on Saturday 16 & 23 February. This term we will look to focus on the invasion games, working on the fundamental skills of spatial awareness, speed, balance and communication. We will have the use of the Sports Hall if the weather is inclement, although we will always try and be outside in the fresh air where possible.

We wish you all a very merry Christmas and look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year!

Mr Albert & Mrs Hawes



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