

Registered Charity No. 1169451

# Eaton Socon Pre-School

A young persons dream



## Autumn/Christmas 2023

Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had an enjoyable half-term break, and your children return to us ready to enjoy this next busy half term, with lots of exciting activities and events planned in the run up to Christmas.

Now that the weather may be turning cooler and we are having lots of mixed sunny and wet weather, please be sure to send your child dressed appropriately – remember children will be given the opportunity to play in our outdoor garden whatever the weather!

Please ensure ALL of your child's clothing, shoes/wellies and any other belongings are labelled with their name before wearing/bringing themto pre-school!!

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Be sure to visit our book lending library, located under the canopy next to the office. Choose a book to borrow and take it home to share with your child.



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ...



This year's AGM will take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Everybody is welcome, please arrive at pre-school at 7pm ready for a 7:30pm start.

A professional photographer will be visiting pre-school on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November to take photographs of the children who will be leaving us to start school in September 2024. If you would like your child to be photographed with their siblings, please let a member of staff know.





We will be holding a parent consultation evening on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November, from 6pm – 8:45pm, by appointment only. A letter will be sent out soon with appointment booking details.

#### Tickets for our Grand Christmas Raffle will be on sale from Monday 4th December.



We are asking parents to support this event by making a small donation to the tombola and raffle. If your child is in the Daisy Room, please donate a chocolate gift; Poppy Room parents please donate a bottled gift and parents in Sunflower Room a small gift, for example a toy, a craft item, or a toiletry gift. Please only donate new or unused gifts and check food and drink items to ensure they are in date and do not contain nuts or nut products and note we are only able to accept shop bought/sealed packaged items. Thank you for your support it is much appreciated to enable us to continue to provide an enhanced rich and varied experience at preschool for your children.



Our Christmas Concert, for the older children (leaving us to start school in September 2024) will take place at St Mary's Church, Eaton Socon, from 1:30pm – 2:30pm, on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Children will need to be collected from pre-school at 12pm and taken to the church by their parent/carer for 1pm, further details will follow nearer the time.

### Week Commencing Monday 11th December.

This will be the children's Christmas party week (details to follow) and...

**National Christmas Jumper Day** (in support of Save The Children) will also take place during the week commencing Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like your child to participate, please send them to pre-school in a Christmas themed jumper and if you are able, please make a small donation to this worthy cause – our collection bucket will be out at the gate.



On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December we will be serving a Christmas lunch. If you would like your child to have a hot lunch you will need to order and pay for this in advance, we will notify you of the deadline for this nearer the time.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December will be our last day of normal pre-school sessions before the Christmas break



Come and join us on Pre-School Reindeer Day to see real-live reindeer and meet Father Christmas. Join in with the craft activities, take part in our lucky dip and Christmas raffle and enjoy a hot chocolate and a mince pie.

Please remember there will be no normal pre-school sessions on this day but you may drop in with your child (and will need to stay with them) during the following times. (if there are siblings in more than one room drop in during either of their time slots)

\*Sunflower children 9am-10am\* \*Poppy children 10am-11am\* \*Daisy children 11am- 12noon\*



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Pre-school re-opens for the Spring Term on Monday 8th January

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