

Firstly we would like to thank all of our families for getting involved in our Autumn Treasure hunt. The children have enjoyed exploring the different textures of the rustling leaves and conkers that were found and we are delighted to say that we raised over £200.00 which has already been used to enhance our resources for the setting.

Nursery Rhyme week was a great success. Singing rhymes is crucial to developing children's language and communication skills. It has also provided further opportunities for us to cover all areas of our curriculum.

We have recently designed our own curriculum here at Dandelions. It is designed to be inclusive for all of our children allowing for adaptability to suit each individual child's needs. It's an ambitious and broad curriculum enabling each child to acquire new skills and knowledge in preparation for their journey to school.

Each year we take part in supporting Children In Need and the children dressed up in something spotty or their pyjamas.

The children have shared their adventures with us from Bonfire night which led to an activity exploring how we can create new colours by mixing powder paints and mark making.

Using musical instruments we recreated the noises of the fireworks.

We have made a Remembrance day display and have been exploring different objects we could use to create poppies. Forks and apples were a definite favourite.

Christmas is always a magical time in Pre-School and we have lots of fun filled activities planned for the children to enjoy and our parents will be joining us for Christmas Craft activities before we break up and enjoy the festivities with our families and friends.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a wonderful Christmas and to thank you all for your kindness and generosity throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you and our new starters in the 2023.

Spaces are filling up fast and we are building our waiting lists for the next two years so please do contact us for a registration form if you would like to consider Dandelions for your child's early years on 01256 818857 or alternatively e-mail info@dandelions-preschool.org.uk

CUCKOO MEADOW PRE-SCHOOL

Hello from Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School.

With the change of season upon us, we have been exploring Autumn as our latest theme. And what better way to introduce the season than with welly walks around the meadow! Our adventures led us to discuss the various changes that Autumn brings and the different textures and colours of the falling leaves. We collected the leaves to make leaf laminated numbers and enjoyed using them to practice our counting skills.

We have been putting our cutting and sticking skills to good use with lots of craft activities, including some lovely scarecrows made from different shapes. We also looked at the fascinating journey of how acorns grow into oak trees, and then created our own little acorns to add to our wall tree.

Of course, Autumn wouldn't be complete without vibrant bonfire artwork from our little ones. Plus the opportunity to enjoy delicious breadstick sparklers that we topped with colourful sprinkles!

Christmas raffle

We are delighted to be holding a Christmas raffle this year and we're seeking donations of biscuits, sweets, wine or preserves to add to our festive hampers. If you would like to provide a donation or know of a business that might be able to help with match funding, we would love to hear from you. We hope you all have a wonderful festive break!

About Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School: We are a small, friendly, Ofsted Outstanding ranked pre-school located in the Rathbone Pavillion, North Waltham. The children who attend come from within the village and the surrounding areas including Oakley, Dummer, Hatch Warren, Kempshott and Beggarwood and all agree the location and wonderful caring staff mean it is more than worth the short journey. To find out more please contact Jo or Fiona on 01256 398172.

ANVIL ARTS

CINDERELLA

Starring Debbie McGee and Chris Pizzey

Fri 9 Dec 2022 – Mon 2 Jan 2023

The Anvil

Tickets: Various prices, bands, concessions etc plus relaxed and signed performances.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Fri 9 – Sun 11 Dec

The Haymarket

Tickets: £16.50. Under 16s £14.50 (includes £4 booking fee). Schools and groups rates, plus a relaxed performance.

Suitable for: ages 3-9

50 minutes, no interval

CARA DILLON Upon A Winter's Night

Tue 13 Dec, 7.30pm

The Haymarket

Tickets: £25 (includes £4 booking fee)

Ballet Theatre UK presents

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

Thu 15 Dec, 7.30pm

The Haymarket

Tickets: £24. Under 25s and f/t students £21. Under 12s £18 (includes £4 booking fee)

SETH LAKEMAN

Accompanied by Alex Hart

Sun 18 Dec, 7.30pm

The Haymarket

Tickets: £24 (includes £4 booking fee)

THE ALBION BAND CHRISTMAS SHOW

Tue 20 Dec, 7.30pm

The Haymarket

Tickets: £25 (includes £4 booking fee)

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RAISING MONEY FOR SEBASTIAN'S ACTION TRUST

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

BASINGSTOKE CREMATORIUM

STOCKBRIDGE ROAD
BASINGSTOKE
RG25 2BA

01256 398783

THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2022
7:00 PM

BASINGSTOKE DEANE ROTARY

ROTARY CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX THANK YOU

A huge thanks to all who contributed shoeboxes for our annual appeal, 670 shoeboxes full of toys and warm gloves & hats etc. are on the way to under privileged children in Moldova, Montenegro, Romania and Albania. We couldn't do this without the generosity of our local community who help spread a little happiness to children who have little. We were donated a huge amount of beautiful hand knitted clothes and toys, too many to go in in the shoeboxes but we were able to fill 9 packing cases with these knitted items, they will be delivered into the hands of Rotarians in those countries to distribute those in need. Through our Rotary channels a number of shoeboxes and some warm knitted items are also on their way to children in Ukraine. Our Wessex District Rotary sent 18,000 Christmas shoeboxes in 2021 from Hampshire.

ST MICHAELS HOSPICE REINDEER RUN

Sunday 18th December 2022

Festival Place, Queen Anne's Square, Outside Iceland.

CAMROSE CENTRE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Rotarians will again be cooking and serving Christmas lunch to the Camrose Centre clients and volunteers.

www.rcbd.org.uk

KEMPSHOTT PANTOMIME GROUP
presents

SLEEPING BEAUTY

A Pantomime by Limelight Scripts
at
Oakley Village Hall
Andover Road Oakley Basingstoke RG23 7HA

Wednesday 11 January – 7.30pm
Friday 13 January - 7.30pm
Saturday 14 January – 2.00pm (matinee)
Saturday 14 January – 7.30pm

Tickets: Adults £10.00 Under 16 £7.00

For tickets email: kempshott pantomime group@gmail.com
or call: Margaret on 07834 068580

Tickets will also be available at:
The Sunday Market, Kempshott Village Hall
on Sunday 11 December 2022

Christmas 2022

Thurs 8th & 15th Dec- Jazz & Jingle at the 'Holly Blue'- 5-7pm

Sun 11th Dec- Nativity for all ages
St Mark's Church- 10.30am

Sat 17th Dec- Blue Christmas reflective service- Immanuel Church- 5.30pm

Sun 18th Dec- Carol Service
St Mark's Church- 6pm

Mon 19th Dec- Carols at 'The Kestrel'- 7pm

Sat 24th Dec- Christmas Eve
Crib service- Immanuel- 3pm
Christingle service- St Mark's Church- 4pm
Midnight communion- St Mark's Church- 11.30pm

Christmas Day- all-age celebration-
St Mark's Church- 9.30am

Find out more at
www.parishofbasingstokedown.org.uk

