



# Tanglewood Newsletter

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Issue 2

*Play, learn, grow together*

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't believe we are already at the end of the Autumn Term and what a brilliant way to end the year.

We had snow to start off the Christmas festivities, thank you all for your patience through the school closures, the children's safety comes first but we hope that you managed to enjoy a bit of fun in the snow at home too.

The Christmas Celebration was wonderful and the children did a fantastic job. A big thank you to all the staff for putting it together and to all the families who came to watch. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did.

Yesterday we had a visit from Winnie the Witch and her fairy friend Twinkle who caused a bit of chaos but made a lovely Christmas pudding which the children have all enjoyed today. I wonder what exciting adventures are in store for the new year, watch this space...

## Our learning so far...



Wishing all our families...

**'A Very Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year'**

From all the staff at  
Tanglewood 😊



We update the school app on a daily basis so download our school app now for the most up to date information. You can also like us on facebook!



**'Even when you're very small good attendance makes a BIG difference'**

Regular attendance has a positive impact on all aspects of your child's learning and development. A regular routine supports young children to feel settled and secure.

We recognise that sometimes families may need extra support with attendance, therefore good communication is essential between you and the classroom staff. Please come in and speak to us if you feel you need support.

**Tanglewood Attendance – Autumn Term 2017 (September – December)**

Our school attendance is 79%, let's see if we can improve this for the Spring Term – Every school day counts...We can do this!!

**Please remember...**

- As part of our safeguarding procedures we monitor children's attendance every day. Please can we ask that if for any reason your child is not coming into nursery, could you ring the school office and let us know.



A big thank you to all our families for supporting our two chosen charities this term. Your donations raised £148.20 for Children in Need and £200 for Macmillan Cancer Support. We also want to wish Karen Martin (Our Deputy Nursery Nurse in Little Tanglewood) the very best of luck when she runs the London Marathon for this charity in April...'Run Karen Run' 😊



After Christmas we will be supporting our local food banks. We will have a box in the reception area where you can donate any tins of food or boxes of biscuits that are in date. UHT milk and long life fruit juice are also good items to donate. We will send out a more detailed list and reminder in January.

We will also be working with the foodbanks to support any families that need help. If you would like more information, please call in to reception and find out more about how we can help or check out the website...

<https://chelmsford.foodbank.org.uk>

**Diary Dates 2018 - 2019**

**2<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 – INSET Day-**  
School Closed

**3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 –** Children return to Nursery

**12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 –** Half Term

**10<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (Saturday) –** Open Morning for September 2018 Intake

**29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 –** Break up for the Easter Holidays.

**WATCH THIS SPACE FOR INFORMATION ON PARENTS EVENINGS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

**REMINDERS/REQUESTS...**

**Little Tanglewood** – Please can we ask that children do not come in to school in dressing up clothes as these are not always practical for the activities.

**Office** – If your contact details have changed please call in to the office to update your details.

**Tanglewood** – If you have any left-over wrapping paper or you'd like to recycle your cards, please give them in to your child's classroom.