

## Welcome back to Tudhoe Moor Nursery School

Welcome back after our Christmas holiday. I hope you all had a wonderful time and are looking forward to 2025!

I would like to welcome our new children who have just joined Tudhoe Moor Nursery School this week – I'm sure your child will settle in well and enjoy their time here. We are looking forward to getting to know you all and our children can't wait to make some new friends!

This half term is a lot quieter than last one, but still lots of lovely things to look forward to!

Mrs Hymers- Head Teacher

## Dates for your diary

<b>Wednesday 29th Jan</b>	Food tasting – Chinese New Year
<b>Wednesday 19th February</b>	Parent consultation meetings (letter to follow)
<b>Friday 21st February</b>	Break up for half-term holiday
<b>Monday 3rd March</b>	First day back for children

## Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will take place on Wednesday 19th February from 3.00pm to 6.00pm. This will give you the opportunity to meet with your child's Key Worker to discuss their progress. If you have any worries or concerns before this time please know you can speak to a staff member at any time. Your child's teacher will contact you to book in a slot that suits you.

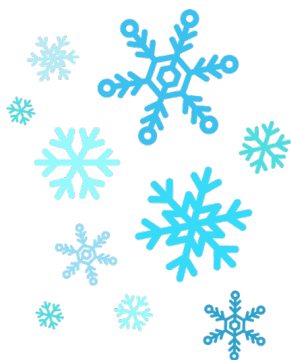
## What are we learning this half- term?

This half term we are learning about transport and looking at different types of vehicles. Children will be doing lots of mark-making and craft activities. The staff will be doing a focus on comparing sizes and colours. We will be further developing our understanding of number by continuing with a number song every week.

In Literacy we are continuing with nursery rhymes such as 'Wheels on the Bus' and other transport related songs. We are encouraging children to ask for help and to begin to learn other children's names in their group.

We will also be celebrating Chinese New Year (Wednesday 29th January) with a food tasting session in school on the same day.

We are spending lots of time ensuring that children get used to our routines and begin to build relationships within their key worker group and the wider nursery. We will be exploring the nursery environment, both indoors and outdoors and making choices about activities that we would like to try.



We will be enjoying the winter weather and teaching children how to dress appropriately for the cold weather as well as developing their independence skills by putting on their own coats and wellies.



## Snack money

We ask for a voluntary contribution of £2 per week for 30 hour children and £1 per week for 15 hour children. This money is used to provide a snack for the children in the morning and the afternoon. We also use it to buy additional resources, e.g. items for baking or special activities in nursery; without these contributions we would not be able to do this. You can put your donation in the money box at the front door or make payment via the school office.

## Wraparound Clubs

Places are available for our Little Stars Wraparound Care. Breakfast Club is from 7.45am till 9.00am and costs £5.00 per day. After School Club is from 3.00pm to 5.30pm and costs £10.00 per day. A shorter After School Club until 4pm costs £5.00. If you would like to sign up for any of these clubs, please speak to a staff member.



## Parents comments

If you have any questions or comments about anything in the newsletter or nursery in general; or you would like further information about anything to do with nursery, please speak to a member of staff or contact us on: 01388 436000 or e-mail: [tudhoemoor.nursery@tudhoemoor.durham.sch.uk](mailto:tudhoemoor.nursery@tudhoemoor.durham.sch.uk)



If you would like to have a more in-depth discussion about anything, you can make an appointment to speak to with your child's key worker.

## Facebook Page



A little reminder that we have a Facebook page; hopefully more families will be able to keep up to date with events and diary dates. There will also be some posts about things that we have been doing that might be of interest... keep watching and like our page.

## Names in children's clothes

Please remember to put your child's name in all of their belongings; jumpers, coats, scarves, and shoes. We have several children with the same shoes and jumpers and they can easily be muddled up! Please make sure that you put your child's name in everything to help us dress your children in the right things.



Also if your child comes home in nursery clothes after having an accident here at nursery school please make sure that you return them as soon as possible as we need them regularly.