



# St Lawrence Pre-School (North Wingfield)

Term: 6th January 2015 - 6th February 2015

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## Welcome Back!

We hope you had a lovely Christmas and wish you all a Happy New Year! This term we welcome Lydia, Lily, Zac, Isla, Izzigrace, Joel, Dylan, Tyler S, Zachery, and Tyler H to pre-school, we look forward to meeting them and their family and helping them to settle.

Emma who joined the staff team in December has replaced Charlotte. She has got to know the routine and children and will be key person to some children already in setting as well as some children who are starting pre-school.

## This Term!

Thank you very much to all parents who returned their child's interest sheet. Information from these sheets has been used to plan and support your child's next steps this term, as well as themes we will be looking at over the five week period, which include construction, stick man and family, homes and the community.

Activities will be planned to encourage turn-taking and co-operative play through ring games, board games, puppets and stories. We will also be able to make our own stories and share these with our friends and stories we share at group times will emphasise poetry and rhyme. We will be baking and mixing play dough to support children to follow instructions and order a sequence. Activities will explore the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

For all the children who start school in September this year, Crocodiles will start from 12 January. This is an extra 15 minute adult led time, focusing mainly on Mathematics and Literacy, but we will be using tracking of children's development to see the aspects of learning in which children need more support, to ensure they are making good progress, ready for school. Please check the planning board to see what they will be doing each day and there are activity cards if you would like to continue supporting their learning at home.

We are wanting to create a 'wow' board to showcase and celebrate children's achievements, this could be an achievement such as counting, a drawing they wish to share or a certificate they have got from swimming etc. Please share celebrations with key persons or put them in the fantastic things I did at home box, and encourage your child to share certificates with us. We can then celebrate these at Pre-School and copy them to add to the display.

**A Big THANK YOU to North Wingfield Parish Council** who contributed £150 towards the cost of a new kitchen and play food for the outdoor area. The equipment arrived before Christmas and Dad's Army built it for us over the holiday (Thank You!) and is now all ready for us to use!

**REMINDER: If your child was born between 1 September 2010 and 31 August 2011 you need to apply for a school place for them! You must apply before 15 January 2015!**

**Next Liaison Meeting: Thursday 22 January 12.15pm-12.45pm**  
Come and share your ideas/concerns with us and hear Pre-School's plans for the future!  
Children can join Pre-School for their lunch or have a play!

## Uniform and Outdoor Clothing



As we have lots of fun at Pre-school and sometimes make a mess please ensure children have suitable clothing that doesn't matter if it gets dirty! We sell Pre-School jumpers @ £5.50 and T-Shirts @ £3.95 if you wish to purchase these, we normally have them in stock. Please remember to put your child's name in!

Now winters here, please remember to provide a warm, water-proof coat, hats, scarfs and gloves (and wellie boots if it snows!) for outdoor play. **Please ensure these are labelled.**

