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## Nell Gwynn Nursery School

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Dear Parent/ Carers,

Thank you for your engagement and support so far this term. An educational visit to the South London Gallery and The Big Draw event wouldn't have been possible without your involvement.

### Dates for Diaries:

#### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Jumper Day

Children and staff to wear a Christmas jumper to fundraise for the charity Save the Children UK. A donation of one pound (or whatever you can afford) to be collected in a bucket on the day. We understand that some children may prefer not to wear a Christmas jumper, so please don't worry if that's the case.

The week beginning **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** is when children will have opportunities to participate in festive activities. Please let us know if you would prefer your child to access alternative experiences.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas craft activities

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec: A cooked Christmas lunch for children who stay all day on Tuesdays

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas grotto with Father Christmas and Christmas parties (am/pm)

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec: A cooked Christmas lunch for children who stay all day on Thursdays

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas stories (invite to parents/carers to come in and read with children)

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas stories (invite to parents/carers to come in and read with children)

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas films/cartoons and popcorn

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec: Final day of autumn term. **All children finishing by 12pm**

We will send out more details regarding the lead up to the end of term, closer to the time. In the meantime we would welcome involvement from parent/carers to create the Christmas Grotto again this year. Please let me know if you are interested.



*The Federation of Ann Bernadt and Nell Gwynn Nursery Schools*

**Spring Term 2024:**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January: INSET for Nell Gwynn staff and **school is closed to children**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January: Nell Gwynn reopens to children with normal timings

**Primary School Application for September 2024:**

If your child turns **four** years old before the **31<sup>st</sup> August 2024**, you need to apply for primary schools before the **15<sup>th</sup> January 2024**.

<https://www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/primary-admissions/applying-for-a-primary-school-place>

Please speak with staff if you require any support with school application.

**Safeguarding:**

A gentle reminder to avoid parking in front of the school when dropping off or collecting your children, unless it is a necessity for you. You may be aware that no parking zones in Southwark have been expanded. In respect to this issue, please see the link below:

<https://www.southwark.gov.uk/parking/find-somewhere-to-park/parking-zones>

We all need to consider road safety for our children, therefore please use the zebra crossing on Meeting House Lane. It's important we work together to teach children (from an early age) how to cross roads safely.

Please also ensure you put your mobile phone away when entering the school building. It is important for safeguarding our children. If you have to make an urgent phone call, then please inform staff who will direct you to the reception area, away from children. We need to collaborate in ensuring there is no inappropriate use of mobile phones, protecting all of our children.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation on these matters. Please do let me know if you require any further clarification on any points raised within this letter.

Kind regards,

Pippa Baker  
(Head of School and SENCo)