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#### Our lastest newsletter

Welcome to the first half of the Spring term. We would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year and we hope you had an enjoyable festive break. We are looking forward to a brilliant 2025 at Overton Preschool Playgroup, with great events and fundraising opportunities to come! A big WELCOME to the new children joining us this term, we hope you settle in well!



We had a great last half term and want to say a huge WELL DONE to the children for their fabulous singing at the Preschool Christmas singalong, Beech Tree care home and Overton Community Centre. Each occasion was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Thank you so much to parents for your help practicing the songs at home and supporting the children. We hope you enjoyed the preschool singalong at St Luke's Hall, it was great to see so many of you there!

Thank you also for supporting our Christmas fundraisers. We raised £99 from the cards, mugs & gift tags that your children designed, we hope you enjoyed them, and our photography session raised £108! These funds will be put towards new equipment in our settings.

#### Starting school in September 2025?

This is a reminder for our Preschool children that the school applications deadline is **15 January**. You will be notified of your school place on 16 April. Good luck and we hope everyone gets their first choice!

For more information visit <u>www.hants.gov.uk/admissions</u>

Dates for the diary	
J A N U A R Y	Mon 6 Inset Day - both settings closed
	Tues 7 First day back after Christmas holidays
	Weds 15 School applications CLOSE
	Mon 27 Inset Day - both settings closed for staff safeguarding training
F E B R U A R Y	Mon 17First day of half term holiday Half term holiday 17-21st
	Mon 24 Inset Day - both settings closed for staff team building
	Tues 25First day back after half term

Dates for the diary

# We will soon be planting an OPP apple tree in the Overton Community

Orchard!

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The Community Orchard is a fantastic local asset situated on land at Overton Hill, and we are excited to be planting a tree there in the coming weeks. We have chosen a tree that produces apples perfect for children! We will send out further communication on this, so look out for that - hopefully some of you will be able to join us for the planting!

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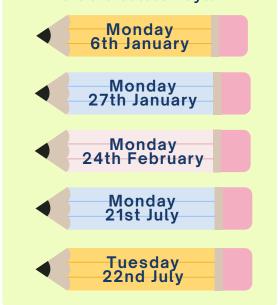
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## **Inset Days 2025**

Please see below the inset days up to the end of the academic year.



## Reminders for the colder months

Please remember to provide warm clothing over the next few months so that we can still have fun outside - the children love to use the outdoor play equipment, so coats, gloves and hats are very useful. If wearing wellies, please could you also pack a pair of shoes to wear indoors; and also ensure that names are in all clothing, coats and bags, thank you.

We know this is unfortunately the season where lots of illnesses are circulating, so can we ask that if your child needs Calpol, please keep them at home. Also, in the event of any sickness or diarrhoea, children should be kept home for 48 hours after the last episode. This will hopefully help to keep illness from spreading to the other children. Thank you, we really appreciate your help and support.

## Keeping in touch

Join the Facebook group <u>here</u> Search **@overtonpreschoolplaygroup** 

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