

The nativity is being rehearsed, parts are being given out, the children are learning their songs, costumes are being sorted. Please remember the children can change their minds as to what they want to be 15 times in one day so please don't be surprised if it changes!



**Little Doves telephone no
07756 029105**

**We need:
Christmas catalogues, toy catalogues, Argos catalogues for Christmas crafts and letters to Santa**

Newsletter November 2023

Easy Fundraising

Hi Pam, you support Little Doves Christian Pre-School

You've raised...

You've raised... **£90.66**

In the last 30 days... **£3.61**

Your cause

Your cause has raised... **£1,053.35**

No. supporters **54**

Your latest donations

Date	Retailer	Amount
Sat 4th Nov	Sainsbury's Groceries	£1.13
Tue 24th Oct	Matalan	7p

Supporter leaderboard

Your Position

🏆 3 Pam B. **£90.66**

Top Supporters

Please support us by using the 'easyfundraising' website to do your online shopping. Click on the link [here](#) to go to Easyfundraising website.

- Create an account – select Little Doves
- Search for eligible online retailers
- Click "shop now" to take you to the retailer's website

Even if it's only a few pennies – it all adds up 😊

**CHANGE OF BANK ACCOUNT
NB – please note change of bank account details on your invoice from this half term onwards.
Please DO NOT make a payment into our old account – this account has been closed.**

Please accept our apologies for the delay in invoices going out this term – we are in the process of changing our bank account.

PLEASE REMEMBER to slice cucumber, tomatoes & grapes lengthways & in quarters to prevent choking

January 2024 sessions
As you know we are very full. Please make sure we have the correct hours for your child.
Please remember to label ALL your child's belongings; coats, bags, drink bottles lunches, wellies etc!!!

VERY IMPORTANT
Packed lunches for children & staff
NO peanut butter or nut related spreads such as Nutella or almond pastes.
We have several children with severe allergies and so there is a very strict NO NUT policy.



Wonky Wednesdays coming up
We open at **9am** and finish at **12 noon.**
December 13th
January 10th
February 14th
March 13th

Voluntary Donations
If anyone can donate the extra item to us from "2 for 3" or "buy 1 get 1 free" offers that would be great. We need:
handwash, kitchen rolls, wet wipes, tissues, bin liners, play sand, Zoflora disinfectant, anti-bac spray

Reception admissions for academic year September 2024

The primary school (Reception) admission round opened on Mon 6 Nov 2023, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in Sept 2024.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 15 January 2024.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

All of the application information is available on the website above. The website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2024-25 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.

Dates for your diary

Nativity
Thursday 7th Dec
11.45am – 12.15pm

All children invited. Tickets available soon.
Rev Julie will be visiting too.



Time to Party!



Thursday 14th Dec – Party
Party games, craft, party food etc.

Santa will be visiting too 😊

If it is not your child's usual day

arrive at 10.30 am and
collect your child at 12.30 pm.

The day will finish at 2pm for all children.

Term Dates 2023/2024

Autumn term finishes: **Thursday 14th Dec**

Spring term starts: **Thursday 4th January**

Children born between 1st April and 31st Aug are funded in Sept. Children born between 1st Sept and 31st Dec are funded in Jan. **30 hour Extended Funding** - parents please apply **NOW** if you want to claim from **January 2024**. To those paying childcare, please check with **CHILDCARE CHOICES WEBSITE** to see if you are eligible to any tax benefits **Newly funded children MUST bring in a copy of their birth certificate & proof of address to show Pam**

Important - Pam needs to see your child's red book for immunisations **SOME DOCUMENTS ARE STILL NEEDED FROM EXISTING CHILDREN!!! PLEASE BRING THESE IN ASAP!!**

Illnesses

Every child reacts differently to viruses, coughs & colds - if your child needs cuddling and Calpol they are unlikely to cope with the activities and busyness of Little Doves – please keep them home until they feel better.

Facebook

Remember to log in to our closed Facebook page to see photos of what the children have been doing. If you are not a member, please send a friend request to "Friends of Little Doves" **We will be using this lots to convey information to parents/carers**

Navestock Village Hall

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 25th November

10.30am to 3pm £1 admission for adults

Christmas stalls - Santa arrives at noon
Little Doves stall – nearly new toys, books, clothes & bric-a-brac.

Please support & donate now!!

Very Important

You **MUST** let us know if anyone different is picking up your child. Please fill in the correct collection form and tell whoever is on the door who will put it in the Sign-in register. Also remember to tell the person collecting the 'password'

PLEASE REMEMBER our latest pickup time is 2.45pm.

Please **NO** toys from home – only bring in items related to the show and tell topic.

Children in Need – Friday 17th Nov – wear pyjamas and donate.

Topics for this half term

Christmas and winter



With love & prayers, Pam & the Little Doves team