

# Stondon Stompers

Children at the heart of all we do



## Welcome back

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and managed to have some quality family time together. The run up to Christmas is always a busy time at Stompers and we would like to thank you for all your support during the festive period. It was especially nice to see so many of you at our Christmas concert, the children put on a fantastic performance and we were very impressed with the audience participation. You can find individual photos in you child's online learning journey. Special thanks to Karen and Paul Barnes for the very kind donation towards the Christmas party. We are very happy to have some new Stompers joining us this term and I'm sure you will join us in wishing Phoebe, Spencer and Xanthe a very warm welcome.



### Winter weather

In the event of the closure of the preschool due to severe weather, we will announce this on our facebook page and if possible, we will send you an email. We are also registered on the Central Beds School's Open (SOS) System which you can access via <https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/webapps/sos>

### CHRISTMAS FAYRE

We raised over £290  
Thank you to all who  
donated prizes or visited  
our stalls

### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone  
who sold or bought raffle  
tickets. After expenses  
we raised over £350

### CONGRATULATIONS

Special thanks to  
Emma who sold a  
staggering £190  
worth of raffle tickets

All of the money  
raised at our  
fundraising  
events will go  
towards the  
childrens end of  
year trip



Mondays and Thursdays are our Show & Tell days. This is a great way to encourage childrens self confidence and to promote their communication and language skills. We encourage the children to share any news or something they would like to show us at group time.

Encourage your child to choose something they would like to show us and ask them why they have chosen it. Or, it may be a piece of news they want to share such as a recent holiday.



Our Facebook page is a great place to find useful information and updates on recent or upcoming events. This is a public page and as such all posts, including photos, are visible to anyone who visits the page. As part of your registration paperwork you will have been asked for your permission for us to include photos of your child, however, it may be that you were unaware of the public nature of the page. If you feel you no longer wish for your child's image to be published, please do let us know. We have found Facebook to be an extremely popular form of communication with parents and your feedback would be gratefully received.

## Stompers Daily Routine

9.05 - Arrival & Child initiated play  
9.30 - Whole group register  
9.45 - CIP (rolling snack 10.15-11.00)  
11.15 - Tidy up time  
11.30 - Small key-group time  
11.50 - Large group time-Singing & goodbye  
12.05 - Home time/Lunch time

12.30 - Child initiated play  
1.00 - Whole group register  
1.15 - Child initiated play  
2.15 - Tidy up time  
2.30 - Snack time  
2.45 - Adult led activities  
3.15 - Home time

Please note: our routine is always flexible as we follow childrens individual interests and encourage them to make their own choices

Our next parent consultation evening is scheduled for February. We will update you with the details once we have finalised the date and timings

## Reminder!

Please return your completed nursery education funding forms to Deb by Wednesday 10th January

## HOME COMMUNICATION

Are you a working parent? Is your child often brought to or collected from Stompers by someone else? Don't forget to let us know who will be collecting your child and make sure they have the password that we have on record.

We are aware that if you are not always the one to collect your child you may not get the opportunity to speak to us about your child as often as you would like. We can provide you with a Home Communication Book which we use to inform you of aspects of your child's day such as what they ate for snack and activities that they have taken part in. Likewise, you can use the book to tell us any relevant information such as a particular interest your child may have or toilet training updates. If this is something you would like us to provide for you just give us a call, drop us an email or talk to any member of staff.

