



Golden Manor Nursery Newsletter

December, 2019

FESTIVALS AND CELEBRATIONS

Welcome to our monthly Newsletter. In November we have been learning about Fireworks, Armistice Day, St George's day and Thanksgiving.

We also celebrated World Nursery Rhyme week by singing lots of rhymes and we celebrated anti-bullying day where we got to wear odd socks.

The children learnt about Road Safety and visited the Traffic Lights and practiced crossing the roads safely.



Upcoming Events & Important Dates

2nd December: Dress Rehearsal for Over 2's

5th December: Over 2's Christmas Concert 10.30am

6th December: St Nicholas day

11th December: Under 2's Christmas Dance along and party 3.45-5.00

13th December Christmas Jumper Day

13th December: Over 2's Christmas Party 3.45-5.00

18th December- Christmas Dinner at Golden Manor

20th December: Last day of Flying Start

23rd December Teddy Bears Picnic: Festive Theme

24th December- 26th December Golden Manor Closed

27th December- Golden Manor Re Opens

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We would like to wish the following children and staff a very

Happy Birthday:

**Isabella, Freddy L, Seren H
and Zeneth**

Staff:

**Sarah, Sian, and Margaret
May all their wishes come true!**

We will be holding a Teddy Bears picnic on Monday 23rd December at lunch time to celebrate.

Parents Board



**Friday 13th
December 2019**

**We will be collecting
donations for Save
the Children**

Parent's Evenings

Please complete the slip if you would like to attend a parents evening with your child's key worker and return to your child's playroom to arrange a suitable date and time.

I would like to attend a parents evening with my

Manor Nursery.
My Child's key worker at Golden

Child/Children are:

Signed By _____

Parent /Carer _____

Date _____

Coat and Wellies

Please can you ensure your child brings in a coats, warm hat and glove and wellies daily? Labelled with their names.

Payment

Please can parents ensure payments are made by the 8th of the month and all accounts are to be cleared by 31st December 2019?. If you have not received your invoice this month please can you let the office know.

Door Policy

Can we remind parents/carers and other family members not to let other people in the building when leaving or arriving. Can we ask the parents let the authorized persons collecting their child know of this policy.

Christmas Concerts and Christmas Parties

The Under 2's Christmas dance along will be on

Wednesday 11th December at 3.45-5.00pm there will be a special visitor and party food.

The Over 2's Christmas concert will be on Thursday 5th December at 10.30am. Please can children who are not booked in arrive at 10am please so we can get them ready?

The Over 2's Christmas Party will be on Friday 13th December 3.45-5.00 pm with a special visitor and party food.

Closure Days at Golden Manor in December

We will be closed on

Tuesday 24th December,
Wednesday 25th December
and Thursday 26th December.



Children in Need Together we can make a difference

Golden Manor raised £164.35p for Children in need throughout the week doing various activities such as baking, fancy dress and walking around the millpond and Pembroke Main Street.



Meet our ABC and Flying Start Manager

This is Margaret Powell, Margaret has been working at Golden Manor for 11 years, she has had many roles within Golden Manor but recently Margaret became the Flying Start Manager.

Margaret was born in 1967 and was born in Bournemouth, and moved to Pembrokeshire in 1978. Margaret is one of 4 children. Margaret went to school in Pembroke Dock County primary School when she moved to Pembrokeshire and then went to Pembroke Comprehensive. When Margaret Left school she went to college in Ammanford studying a primary certificate in social care, she studied and lived there 5 days a week and came home on the weekends.

Margaret worked for her mum when she left college who owned Bangeston hall Residential home this is where Margaret lived for 9 years. When Margaret's mum sold Bangeston in 1987 Margaret worked at riverside county council residential home for 4 years. Margaret became a stay at home mum to care for her son. In 1990 Margaret worked at Ashdale residential home for 2 years. Margaret volunteered at Tabernacle and was soon made permanent member of staff and completed her NVQ 3. Margaret then went to join Golden Manor in 2007 when it first opened and was the supervisor for the woodlands room. In 2015 Margaret completed her



CCLD Level 5 in management and holds a range of certificates which would fill this whole page.

Margaret met her husband Andrew in 1985 and married him in 1987. Margaret has 2 children Sean who is 29 and is a teacher and head of Foundation Phase in Cardiff school and Rebecca who is 23 and she has recently graduated from Birmingham school of acting completing her BSA hons in Performing arts.

Margaret has only been abroad twice as she is frightened of flying she has been to Switzerland and Austria.

Margaret enjoys spending time with her family and says that Golden manor feels like an extended part of her family and loves being able to teach children new things and feels proud that she is making a difference in their lives.

Next Month we will be finding out all about Laura George our Woodlands Supervisors

What's Happening in December 2019 - Under 2's	
Day	Activity
This Weeks Topic:	Weddings and St Nicholas Day (6th)
Monday 2nd	Decorate wedding pictures
Tuesday 3rd	Make wedding biscuits
Wednesday 4th	Read the story a Scarecrows Wedding
Thursday 5th	Sensory: Explore the sensory tray with different materials used in a wedding
Friday 6th	St Nicholas Day/ Trip: Visit the church in Pembroke
This Weeks Topic:	Christmas/ Nativity/ Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 9th	Explore the nativity scene people in the tuff tray
Tuesday 10 th	Decorate a Christmas crackers template
Wed 11th	Under 2's Christmas Dance along and Christmas party 3.45-5.00pm
Thursday 12th	Explore the role play area in the playroom
Friday 13 th	Christmas Jumper Day: Design you own jumper
This Weeks Topic:	Christmas
Monday 16th	Visit Ashdale and sing Christmas songs with the residents
Tuesday 17th	Dance along in the hall in the morning to Christmas song
Wed 18th	Christmas Dinner: Creative: Design and make Christmas cards for our loved ones
Thurs 19th	Trip: Visit Pembroke town and look at the Christmas lights
Friday 20th	Messy Play: Explore a Christmas tuff tray with a range of Christmas materials
This Weeks Topic:	Hanukah/ New Years
Monday 23rd	Teddy bears Picnic with our friends. Bring in a Christmas teddy from home.
Tuesday 24th	Closed
Wednesday 25th	Closed
Thursday 26th	Closed
Friday 27th	Creative: Decorate Hanukah pictures using a range of materials
This Weeks Topic:	Hanukah/ New Years
Mon 30th	Knowledge and understanding: Learn about Hanukah
Tuesday 31st	New Year's Eve Party: Celebrate with a fund day of games, dancing and crafts



What's Happening in December 2019 – Over 2's	
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Monday 2nd	Mathematical: Paint pasta tubes and thread on ribbon
Tuesday 3rd	Language and literacy: Read the scarecrows wedding story book
Wednesday 4th	Creative: Decorate a wedding cake with materials
Thursday 5th	Personal and Social: Christmas Concert 10am
Friday 6th	St Nicholas Day: Visit the church in Pembroke town
This Weeks Topic:	Christmas/ Nativity/ Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 9th	Welsh Language: Learn the welsh word for Christmas/ nativity
Tuesday 10 th	Creative: Design a nativity scene
Wed 11th	Physical: Dance along in the hall in the morning
Thursday 12th	Creative: Make Christmas cupcakes
Friday 13 th	Christmas Jumper Day: Design you own jumper/ ABC and Wildlife XMAS PARTY
This Weeks Topic:	Christmas
Monday 16th	Mathematical skills: Using Christmas worksheets count how many reindeers there are?
Tuesday 17th	Mindfulness: listen to Christmas music whilst exploring feathers and materials
Wed 18th	Creative: Make Christmas cards for our loved ones
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Our Achievements this year 2019

We are proud to announce that we have:

- 1) Received the 'Highly Commended Status' in our Quality Assurance demonstrating our commitment to excellence by going above and beyond the national standards as set by CIW.
- 2) Golden Manor Nursery Ltd received Excellent in all areas of learning in their recent inspection carried out by CIW in May.
- 3) Golden Manor has continued to achieve their Gold Award in Design to Smile – The tooth brushing initiative.
- 4) Joanne Barnard- James completed her CCLD 2, Phoebe A, Donna, Laura G and Ruth have completed their Playwork L3. Margaret and Jess have completed their ELSA Training.
- 5) Healthy and Sustainable Pre-School National Award: Golden Manor has continued completed to develop our healthy preschool award and achieve our two year assessment.
- 6) Golden Manor Nursery received their Food Hygiene rating 5 in their inspection by the Food Standards agency
- 7) Golden Manor rolled out the 30 hours childcare offer and was selected to be the nursery to show the Welsh assembly government on how it is being provided.
- 8) We have been one of the 5 selected nurseries in Pembrokeshire to deliver the PATHS programme
- 9) We were the chosen setting to offer the Hunger project to children through the summer holiday who have been deprived from food in Pembrokeshire.
- 10) We have signed up to Noodle now which offers the staff a range of courses to enhance their development.
- 11) We renovated our front area by adding stones and borders as well as a fountain.
- 12) We have raised money for a range of charities this year including Jeans for Genes, Save the children, Children in Need, Barnardo's Toddle and Peppa Pig Jump in muddy puddles.
- 13) We were awarded a grant by the Local authority to purchase a new vehicle which can be used for the Childcare offer children to start doing more school runs to benefit the children.

Golden Manor Nursery Ltd would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2020, and to say a big thank for all your help and support.

