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Hiya folks,

 We thought we would cobble together a quick newsletter for you all before the Christmas festivities begin.

 First of all we would like to send all of you our deepest thanks for being so understanding and accommodating with the events of the last two weeks. We never thought that this operation would crop up with so little notice (and so close to Christmas!!)

 For those of you that haven’t received their children’s Christmas goodie bags Nik will be doing a delivery run one day next week so keep an eye on your WhatsApp and we’ll let you know which day in due course, also we would like to thank you all for your wonderful and thoughtful Xmas presents.

 We have finalised the full list of raffle prizes and will be putting it up on the Facebook page shortly, thank you all so much for your contributions and for being so pro-active with selling the tickets. We thought it would be a good idea to write the name of the person that has bought the tickets on the reverse and then also write your child’s name in brackets underneath so we have a rough idea of who’s who, if you need any more tickets then please do give us a shout and we will figure out a way to get them to you. The prize draw will be held on Saturday 9th January which should give everyone plenty of time to get the tickets back to us.

 With the weather being a lot colder and wetter now we have been trying to think of ways to minimize the amount of time taken at pick-up, as much as we do love to chat with you all the longer the door is open the colder it makes all the little ones that are still here and the wetter you all get if it is raining. We were thinking that we would make sure that the children have their coats/hats/shoes/etc on and ready to go at each of their collection times so with this in mind if you are arriving early or running a bit late then a quick message beforehand would be fab.

 While we talk about the colder weather we’ve noticed that a few of the children are turning up without gloves which means their little hands get cold really quickly when we are outside which can make them quite grumpsy. If possible it would be awesome if they could have a little pair of gloves as opposed to mittens as they can get quite frustrated trying to play with mittens on.

 Last, but by no means least, we would like to thank you all for your help with securing resources for the outdoor area, it’s really starting to take shape now and we are confident that the raffle will go a long way towards putting down artificial turf to give us more of an all-weather area.

 We hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and New Year and we look forward to seeing you all in January for what will hopefully be a much better 2021.

 **Much Love**

 **Carol & Nik.**

**Term Dates for Early Years Funded Children**

First Day of Spring Term – Monday 4th January

Half Term – Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February

Last Day of Spring Term – Friday 26th March

**Important Dates**

Monday 10th May – Friday 21st May 2021 – Carol & Nik Holiday