



Wyndham Park  
Nursery School

Our Christmas  
Newsletter  
2025

Dear Families,

As we approach the end of a very busy second term and the start of the festive season, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your ongoing support.

We are delighted to see just how wonderfully the children have settled into nursery life and their attitude to learning has been fantastic! It has been a joy to watch them grow - developing new skills, building confidence, and embracing each day with curiosity and enthusiasm over the term. There is a truly amazing, happy buzz around nursery and the sound of Christmas songs has already begun to fill the air!

We hope you and your family enjoy a wonderful Christmas filled with fun, laughter, and special moments together, and we wish you all a happy and healthy 2026.



Laura Cook



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### Emergency closure procedure

As the weather has started to get colder we would just like to remind you of our emergency closure procedure. Whenever possible we will try and keep the school open, but if road conditions are dangerous then we will make a decision in the interests of safeguarding both pupils and staff, to shut the school. If conditions deteriorate throughout the course of the day and a decision is taken to close the school we will get in touch with parents as soon as we can. So that we can get information out to you as quickly as possible, please can you make sure that you let the office know of any changes to phone numbers or email addresses. Please also make sure you follow us on Facebook or Instagram as we can get information to you really quickly this way.

### Christmas Cards

If your child would like to send a Christmas card to their friends this year, can we please ask that you only send **ONE** card, addressed to the whole class or nursery, which we will then display in the classrooms for everyone to see. Thank you.



## St. Wulfram's Christmas Tree Festival

St. Wulfram's church are holding their Christmas Tree Festival again this year and we have signed up for a tree. The children have been busy making decorations to fill our nursery tree!

The festival opens on Wednesday 26th November at 6pm, and will be open until Sunday 30th November. It would be a lovely event to visit as a family to see everyone's Christmas Tree and try to spot the Wyndham Park Nursery School Tree!

### St Wulfram's, Grantham Christmas Tree Festival with Skating Rink



## 26 to 30 November 2025

#### Festival opening times:

**Wednesday:** procession 6:00pm—Market Place, Grantham for the official switch-on of the lights. Festival closes: 8:30pm. **Public skating: 7:00pm to 8:30pm.**

**Thursday and Friday:** Festival open: 10:00am to 8:00pm.  
Public skating: 4:00pm to 8:00pm.

**Saturday:** Festival open and skating: 10:00am to 8:00pm.

**Sunday:** Festival open: 12:00noon to 4:00pm.  
Public skating 12:30pm to 4:00pm.

**Entry on the door:** Adults £3.00 each (free if you have bought yourself a ticket to skate). Children (must be accompanied by an adult), those in care and those who have bought a ticket to skate get in for free.

For more information and to book your skate tickets please see our website or scan the QR code



[www.stwulframs.org.uk](http://www.stwulframs.org.uk) 01476 561342 [admin@stwulframs.com](mailto:admin@stwulframs.com)

## Christmas Party & End of Term

We will be holding a Christmas Party for all of the children on **Friday 19th December**.

The party will be from **8.30am-11.30am**.

If your child does not usually attend on a Friday, they are invited to join us for the party, free of charge. We will send out a booking form via email to add your child to the party list!

We will be playing games, dancing, taking part in Christmas themed activities and we will be having Christmas party food for snack!

We might even get a visit from someone special if we're very lucky!!! Shhh!



Please note that Nursery will be closing at **11.30am** on Friday 19th December. There will be no full day sessions or after school club on this day. Breakfast Club will run as usual.

Merry  
Christmas



## Christmas Jumper Day

We will be taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 11th December.

Children are invited to come to nursery in a Christmas jumper, or they could decorate an old jumper or top they already have! Please do not feel like you have to go out and spend money on a new jumper just for this event!

If anyone has any preloved Christmas jumpers they would like to donate for another family to use for this day, please drop them off at the office as soon as possible. Thank you!

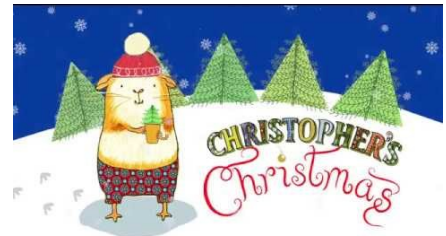
We will be sending out the link to our JustGiving page closer to the time if you would like to donate to the Save the Children.



## Christmas Show - Adventurers Class

We are super excited to announce that on Friday 12th December, the Topsy Turvy Theatre Company will be returning to perform our Christmas Show this year! They will be performing Christopher's Christmas, using lovely puppets. The show will last approximately an hour.

If your child does not normally attend on a Friday morning (8.30-11.30am), and you would like them to come to watch the Christmas Show, you MUST BOOK their session by contacting the school office by Thursday 4th December.



\*\*\* Please note this is only for children

in the Adventurers Class \*\*\*

## Christmas Sing & Sign-along! - Monday 8th December

The children have been learning Christmas songs, and the Makaton signs to go along with them, this term. Each year, we hold a short, outdoor informal event so that the children can share what they have been learning with their families.

We are inviting children and their families to come back to nursery at 4.30pm (through Gate 1) on Monday 8th December. We will have Christmas treats available for donations of 50p each. Please note, we do not keep any cash in school so please bring the correct change!

At about 4.45pm, we will ring a bell to signal that the Sing & Sign-along will begin. There is no need for the children to come to the front and sing the songs as this can be very overwhelming and will likely result in silent singing! So please stay together as your family and show us your Christmas Spirit by joining in with the singing, not forgetting the actions and signing!

This will be an outdoor event (hopefully!!!) with lots of twinkling lights, so please dress warmly!

The list of songs is below and we will send the links to the YouTube videos for each song in an email, in case you would like to practise them at home!

**Jingle Bells**

**When Santa got stuck up the chimney**

**Twinkle Twinkle Little Star**

**We wish you a Merry Christmas**



## Grantham Foodbank - Reverse Advent Calendar

We will be accepting donations for Grantham Foodbank's Reverse Advent Calendar this year.

Please see the poster below for the list of suggested items if you would like to donate. All donations will need to be in nursery by Monday 15th December please. Thank you.



Reverse  
**ADVENT  
CALENDAR**

Day 1  Baked Beans / Spaghetti	Day 2  Tinned Soup	Day 3  Toilet Rolls	Day 4  Tinned Tomatoes	Day 5  Rice 500g Packets	Day 6  Mince Pies
Day 7  Packet Biscuits	Day 8  Shower Gel Shampoo	Day 9  Tinned Fish	Day 10  Coffee 100g Jars	Day 11  Jam	Day 12  Breakfast Cereal
Day 13  Toothpaste	Day 14  Selection Boxes	Day 15  Bottles Squash	Day 16  Pasta 500g packets	Day 17  Tinned Peas or Sweetcorn	Day 18  Pasta Sauces
Day 19  Tomato Ketchup	Day 20  Tinned Custard	Day 21  Christmas Pudding (non-alcoholic)	Day 22  Rice Pudding	Day 23  500g bags Sugar	Day 24  Tinned Fruit

[Grantham.foodbank.org.uk](http://Grantham.foodbank.org.uk)



Registered Charity in England & Wales/Scotland/N.I. (1195874).  
'Your donations will be going to a local people'

Take a box and fill it with the suggested items for each day  
Our opening times to receive donations are Monday to Friday 09:00 to 11:00  
For more detail email: [coordinator@grantham.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:coordinator@grantham.foodbank.org.uk)  
THANK YOU FOR HELPING US TO HELP THE VULNERABLE OF OUR COMMUNITY

# Helping Hands Grantham



"No matter what your circumstance we are here to help everyone. Together we can make a difference in our community"

**Monday to Friday**  
**10am - 2pm**  
**(closed every Wednesday)**  
**Open 1st Saturday of every month**  
**10am - 2pm**



*Buying Boutique  
Preloved clothes  
for sale*

@helpinghandsgrantham

## WHY US?

Helping Hands Grantham is a community group based in the heart of Grantham. Run by a team of unpaid volunteers, Helping Hands Grantham is the brainchild of Karen Oliver. Her extensive experience in supporting the vulnerable members of the community and fundraising skills speaks volumes about her commitment to making a positive impact, whilst providing support in a non-judgemental space.

## NEED HELP?

Get in touch - via email or in person. You will be asked to answer some questions so that we can assess your immediate needs and ensure you are receiving the correct benefits and support.

All information provided will be confidential and you will be treated with the utmost respect.

## WHAT WE DO

### Signposting Clients

Depending on the individual need, we will assess and signpost to the relevant resources, whilst providing continuous support where necessary.

### Clients

Anyone can be a client. You don't need to be in receipt of benefits to get free clothes, household goods and school uniforms.

### Furniture and Household set up

We have a selection of items that have been donated, including fridges/freezers, beds, tables, chairs, toiletries, towels, kitchenware, cookware, bedding, home furnishing and electricals. (PAT tested and function tested).

### Free Area

We offer a range of clothes for children, men and women. If you are a client all items will be free, otherwise they range from 50p-£3 if a non client.

### Buying Boutique

We offer preloved branded clothing at affordable prices.

## Donate

Helping Hands Grantham has everything under one roof. We accept donations during opening hours via our donation entrance. If you're unsure about a donation you can email us.

### Items accepted are:-

- Household items - Fridges/freezers, kitchenware, electrical items, bedding, towels, rugs, mirrors and frames
- Furniture - All items except sofas
- Clothing - All items accepted
- Toys - In good condition and complete, but NO DVDS, videos or books

**Monetary donations** - We also accept monetary donations. All money donated is used to maintain the building and cover bills.

### Donate your time

We are always in need of extra helping hands, whether you can give one hour or twenty. We have lots of roles available, so please get in touch.

## OUR FACILITIES

- We are located in the town centre to ensure we are accessible to everyone, with free 30 minutes parking outside.
- We work closely with third parties to provide signposting and support.
- Our mission is to create a one stop community hub, where everyone has access to the resources and support they need.
- Our household and clothing items are available to everyone no matter your circumstances. If you are a client then some items will be available for free.
- We now have a Buying Boutique. This offers preloved clothes and many brands at affordable prices. This then helps us with the upkeep of the building and bills.

## CONTACT US

### Walk in or Shop

Monday to Friday  
10am-2pm

(Closed Wednesday as we don't work Wednesday)

Also open 1st Saturday of every month

at

Unit 1&2, 37-39 East Street  
Grantham  
NG31 6QW

### Email

helpinghandsgrantham@gmail.com

### Facebook

@helpinghandsgrantham

### Website

www.helpinghandsgrantham.co.uk



Tik Tok

@helping.hands.gra



## **\*\* Applications for a Primary School Place - September 2026 \*\***

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, you can apply for their Primary School place now.

Please also be aware that the deadline for applying for a reception place in a primary school for September 2026 is **12:00 noon** on **15th January 2026**.

### **Important things to remember when applying:**

- You can apply for up to **three** different schools. You must rank the schools in order of preference. The first school should be the one you would most like your child to go to.
- If you apply after the closing date you are less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools.
- It is **your responsibility to apply for a primary school place for your child, we do not apply for you and we are not linked to any specific schools.**

It is really important that you apply online at:

[www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or contact the Education Team on 01522 782030.



## **Funding**

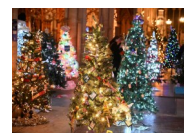
Just a reminder that if you are claiming the 30 or 15 hour funding for working families, or using Tax-Free Childcare, you will need to re-confirm your eligibility **every 3 months**.

Parents can check whether they could be eligible for a range of government childcare offers, including the new 15 hours free funding for 2 year old's & 30 hours free funding for 3-4 year old's via Childcare Choices at [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)

For a detailed guide to the 30 hours eligibility criteria, visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/30-hours-free-childcare-eligibility>



Dates for your diary



Wednesday 26th - Sunday 30th November -

St Wulfram's Christmas Tree Festival

Monday 8th December - Christmas Sing & Sign-a-long!

Thursday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day!

Friday 12th December - Adventurers Class - Topsy Turvy

Theatre show

Thursday 18th December - Last day of normal sessions

Friday 19th December - **Christmas Party Morning!**

Friday 19th December - Last day of Term 2. **Nursery**

**closing at 11.30am**



**Merry Christmas!!!!**

Tuesday 6th January 2026 - First day back! Term 3

Thursday 15th January 2026 - Deadline for Primary

School Applications

Friday 13th February 2026 - Last day of Term 3

Monday 23rd February 2026 - First day back! Term 4