



December Nursery Newsletter

Welcome to December's Nursery Newsletter, the children are really enjoying getting into the festive season! Our topic for December is 'Winter' and 'Christmas'. We will be learning that Winter is the season that follows Autumn. We will be thinking about the seasonal changes and how the days are getting darker and colder. The children will be learning about the first Christmas through drama and story. Our imaginative play area will be a Christmas house and the children will enjoy decorating a Christmas tree. We will be making Christmas crafts and will continue to learn our Christmas songs. Please support our PTA through purchasing Christmas cards and quiz sheets.

During December we will be encouraging children to be able to do the following:

- Follow the Golden Rules in Nursery and remember to be a kind friend towards our peers.
- Use the vocabulary related to our Winter and Christmas topic: cold, dark, Jesus, angel, shepherd, wise men, Mary, Joseph, Santa, sleigh, presents, elf.
- Learn Christmas songs and be confident to perform as a whole class.
- Identify and match 2D shapes: circle, triangle, square and rectangle.
- Develop fine motor skills through threading, using dough and manipulating objects when building.



Nursery Snack Fund

Monthly £15 Termly £60

This cover snack, educational visitors and extra resources that we purchase for the class (books, toys etc). Please remember to pay this on the School Money App.

Getting Ready to Learn Home Learning Packs

We hope that children are enjoying their Big Bedtime Read books each week. As we are unable to provide our themes in the normal way this year due to Covid restrictions, the funding from the Education Authority has been used to gift each child a home learning pack. This is a fantastic resource that provides a messy play tray, scissors, tweezers, glue stick, pom poms, colouring pencils, a skipping rope, a bean bag, a ball, an activity book, pipe cleaners and playdough. An information sheet will accompany the learning pack that will provide lots of fun and interactive games to help develop children's key skills. We encourage you to use these packs with your child and please send us any photos that you take. If your child is self-isolating due to having been in contact with someone with Covid -19 we would ask you to use these packs with your child. If the whole class has to self-isolate then the class teacher will set individual activities via see-saw. These packs will be sent home in December.

Christmas Jumpers

The boys and girls have been busy learning their Christmas songs and we will be recording these to send home via see-saw on Thursday 10th December. All children should come to school wearing a Christmas jumper for this special performance. They can also wear their jumper for Christmas jumper day on Friday 11th December.

Songs and Rhymes for December

These are some songs and rhymes we will be learning in Nursery during December.

I'm a little snowman

I'm a little snowman
Short and fat,
Here's my scarf and here's my hat
When the snow is falling
Here me say
Build a snowman everyday!

WHEN SANTA GOT STUCK UP THE CHIMNEY

When Santa got stuck up the chimney,
He began to shout,
You girls and boys,
Won't get any toys,
If you don't pull me out.
There's soot on my back,
And my beard is all black,
My nose is tickling too!
When Santa got stuck up the chimney,
Achoo, Achoo, Achoo!

We wish you a Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas;
We wish you a Merry Christmas;
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Good tidings we bring to you and your kin;
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

