

# Nursery School December Newsletter



Dear Parents

I can't believe that we are already at the end of our first term! I would like to take this opportunity to say how proud I am of each and everyone of your children. Everyday we see a little bit of something new and their progress in such a short space of time is incredible. Thank you so much for everything that you are doing at home to support your child's learning journey. As always if you have any suggestions get in touch. There is a large team that endeavour to improve our nursery each day and so I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Morrison and Mrs McKee on their tireless enthusiasm each day, Stephen for being so accommodating and creative in building all the new additions in the garden, to Wilma and Sandra for our yummy snacks and to the rest of the team for being so accommodating on all of our requests.

Kind Regards

Judith Thompson—Nursery School Leader

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## News

### What is coming up this month?

This month we will be getting into the Christmas Spirit and learning all about this festival and looking at how it is celebrated in different parts of the world. We are already shuddering at the thought of all of the glitter that we will be trying to get rid of for the coming weeks! We will continue with our topic on transport and in particular Road Safety as this was really enjoyed by the children. This month we hope to see lots of emergent writing as we have Christmas lists and cards to write. Please help at home by having scrap paper and writing materials for your child to enjoy using. Model the purpose of writing by sharing the experience of writing notes, messages and lists with your child. Perhaps they could write some of your Christmas cards too.

### Stay and Play

Thank you so much to those of you that managed to join us for stay and play. We hope that you enjoyed your time it was so lovely having you in the room and bringing siblings along too. If you have any comments from your time in Nursery we would love to hear your views (positive or negative). We will try to make this a monthly event now. December stay and play dates will be 9th – 13th December 9am – 10am a sign up sheet will be on the door.



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### Nativity

This year we will be performing *A Higgledy Piggledy Nativity* on the morning of Thursday 19th December at 9.30am. The event should take around 45 minutes to 1 hour. Children should come to Nursery as normal at 9am. You will receive 2 tickets for the event. There will be a limited number of additional tickets these will come as a first come first serve basis. Please use the app to request additional tickets (max 2 per family). Should you not require your two allocated tickets please return them to Nursery so that we can allocate them to someone else. Thank you for all of your support in learning lines and preparing costumes. As a parent the Nativity is often an extremely exciting event, for many of our actors this will be one of the first times that we will be on the stage performing and it can be quite a daunting experience. Please can we try to curb our enthusiasm and while taking photographs is encouraged we'd appreciate it if any large or intimidating camera equipment etc is kept to a minimum.

### Christmas Party

On Friday 20th December we will celebrate Christmas with the rest of the day care. Our Nursery session will run as normal in the morning with Christmas festivities. Then in the afternoon we will be visited by Mr Hullabaloo and Santa Clause. Children from the Nursery School are invited back to enjoy this session. They should be dropped off at 1.45pm and parents are invited to join us again at 3.00pm.



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### **Big Bedtime Read**

Thank you to all of you that joined us for the Big Bedtime Read workshop. Reading books are now coming home each Friday. It is lovely to hear wonderful feedback of favourite books and time that you are all spending reading. Please ensure that books are returned by the following Thursday to allow us to prepare books for the following day. Date for your diary, our pyjama party will take place on Friday 17th January. Parents are invited to spend the morning with us (pyjamas welcomed!)

### **Staff Training.**

There will be no Nursery School session on 11th December as the school is closed to facilitate staff going on a training session. Day care is available as normal.



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### Fruit list

Please find the fruit rota below. Fresh, dried, tinned fruits and vegetables are welcome. Please don't panic if you can not find the fruit against your name just choose an alternative. Please **DO NOT** provide any kiwi as we have a child with an allergy in the class.

Week commencing	Child/fruit	Child/fruit	Child/fruit	Child/fruit
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Mylo/ cherry tomatoes	Spencer / apples	Zane/oranges	Casey/grapes
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Ethan/ bananas	Harry/melon	Eli/ pear	Scott/ apples
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Anna/ Apples	Arianna/ carrots	Matthias/ water-	Grace/ bananas

Thank you for your continuing support. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any ideas.



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## Homework

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#### Monthly Homework –December

Choose an activity from the box to complete, you can complete as many or as few as you wish. Colour in the box so that we can talk to your child about the activity that you have completed. The sheet can be kept in the reading folder. This is optional.

Make a Christmas decoration to hang on your tree.	Put something in a charity food bank.	Read a classic Christmas story.
Practise pulling up your zip on your coat	Have a play date	Watch a Christmas movie.
Make some Christmas cookies.	Go on a winter walk. What signs of winter can you see?	Help to wash the dishes.
Count to five on your fingers.	Practise buttering a piece of toast.	Learn the song Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer.



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## Songs

### **We wish you a Merry Christmas**

We wish you a Merry Christmas  
And a Happy New Year



### **Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer**

Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer  
Had a very shiny nose  
And if you ever saw it  
You would even say it glowed  
All of the other reindeers  
Used to laugh and call him names  
They wouldn't let poor Rudolph  
Join in any reindeer games  
Then one foggy Christmas eve  
Santa came to say  
Rudolph with your nose so bright  
Won't you guide my sleigh tonight  
Then all the other reindeers loved him  
And they shouted out with glee  
Rudolph the red nose reindeer  
You'll go down in history.

