



December Newsletter

Pre-School Room

In the pre school room we have been very busy learning about Autumn and different Autumn festivals. We have learnt about Diwali, Bonfire Night and Remembrance day and learnt about why we celebrate them. We have read our book Pumpkin Soup and talked about the structure of the story and the children's favourite part. We have also had fun learning about Light and dark. We have learnt new vocabulary such as nocturnal and researched the animals that like to come out at night. We have developed our mathematical knowledge talking about night and day and the clocks going back. We have had fun creating shadows and making puppets as well as drawing shadow pictures.

Toddler Room

The toddlers have been exploring the book Room on the Broom. They have engaged in lots of exciting activities around the story including developing their mathematical and scientific skills making potions. They have baked biscuits and learnt about the changes to the mixture. They have talked about the story and which their favourite character is. They have also had fun outside looking for sticks to make broomsticks.

Baby Room.

The children in the baby room have been exploring light and dark. They have enjoyed looking at the colours on the light table and watching the colours change. They have also created pictures using black and white. They have also enjoyed exploring the den using glow sticks.

Important Dates

- 3rd Dec Christmas Party
- 7th Dec Main Area Nativity
- 17th Dec Christmas Jumper Day.
- 16th December Christmas Dinner
- 17th Dec Last day of school term
- 22nd Dec Breakfast around the world

Book & Rhyme of the month

Preschool: The Usbourne Nativity Story.
Main Area Rhyme: "When Santa got stuck up the chimney"
Toddlers: "A Snowy Night" by Nick Butterworth
Babies and Toddlers rhyme: "5 Little Snowmen"

Christmas Party.

This year we have decided to hold our Children's Christmas Party at the Play Gym, High Park, Huddersfield.

The party will take place on Friday 3rd December. Please can we ask that only 1 parent attends the party and that they wear face masks.

The children will have full use of the Play Gym's physical equipment and of course Father Christmas will also be putting in an appearance.

Any child who has not been collected by their parent/carer will have to remain behind at the nursery with staff as unfortunately staff are not insured to transport children in their cars.

Christmas Opening Hours.

The nursery will close for Christmas on Friday 24th December at 4.00pm or earlier if all the children have gone home and will remain closed throughout Christmas week and will reopen as normal on Tuesday 4th January 2021.

Please find attached a form to return if your child attends Christmas Eve.

Christmas Card Post Box

This year we will have a Christmas Post Box in the Christmas Post Office! If your child would like to send cards to their friends we will encourage them to post them in the post box to be collected and delivered by our post person.

Reindeer Run.

The children in Pre school will be taking part in a sponsored Reindeer Run in aid of Overgate Hospice. If your child does not attend on a Thursday but you would like to sponsor a staff member then please speak to one of the pre-school staff.

Birthdays

Henry 2nd Dec
Bonnie 4th Dec
Evalynne 8th Dec
Joshua 20th Dec

Children in Need

Thankyou to everybody that bought buns and made donations for Children in Need Fundraising. We made a fantastic £153.85



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Things to do at home this month

Pre-School

The children in the Pre school room are going to be very busy taking part in lots of Christmas activities that will be sent home at the end of term. At home you could talk to your child about the story of Christmas and talk about Christmas traditions and what you used to do at Christmas when you were younger. You could introduce new vocabulary such as Advent and Nativity. Christmas is a lovely time to take part in baking activities. You could bake with the children and talk about quantities and the changes that occur through the baking process. You could make decorations for the tree and talk about the colour's and the shape such as stars.

Don't forget to share observations and pictures of all the lovely things you have been doing.

Toddler room

The children are reading "A Snowy Night" by Nick Butterworth. You could talk about the story at home and ask them what they enjoy about the story and what their favourite character is. You could talk about how important it is to take care of the animals and maybe put out some bird feed for them.

You could bake some lovely Christmas biscuits and talk about quantities and the shape of the biscuits. You could go for a walk and look at all the lights and talk about the lovely colours.

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Baby Room

The children in the babies are singing "Five Little Snowmen" and we will be taking in lots of Christmas activities that will be sent home at the end of the term. You could sing the song at home and introduce numbers and counting. You could make a messy sensory tray using corn flour mixed with oil and talk about how it feels and introduce some new vocabulary such as soft and squishy.

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When Santa Got Stuck Up The Chimney.

When santa got stuck the chimney he began to shout

"You girls and boys won't get any toys

If you don't pull me out

My beard is black

There's soot in my sack

My nose is tickling too!"

When santa got stuck up the chimney

A-choo, a-choo, a-choo!

Next Month

The children in the pre school will be reading "Gruffalo's Child" by Julia Donaldson.

The children in the Toddler room will be reading "Stick Man" by Julia Donaldson.

The babies will

Five Little Snowmen

Five little snowmen standing in a line

One, Two, Three, Four, Five

So fine

Melt in the sunshine with a sigh

We'll see you next year

Bye Bye!

Four little snowmen standing in a line

One, Two, Three, Four

So fine

Melt in the sunshine with a sigh

We'll see you next year

Bye Bye!