



December Newsletter

Hi everyone,

Welcome to our December newsletter. I have attached our list of topics for this month. Our colour for this month is **red**. We would love the boys and girls to bring in some small red items from home for our colour table.

Christmas Show

We are currently practising for our Christmas Show which will take place on Friday 13th December at 9:30am. We would love for you to attend. As the Nativity takes place in Nursery and we are limited for space, we have to ask that only 2 adults attend per child. The children have the option of going home with yourselves after the Nativity - if you are going to take your child home, please let us know in advance.



Could I also please ask that the girls wear white tights on the day of the Nativity.

I have attached the words of the songs the children will be singing. We are practising these every day, but I'd be grateful if you would also sing these at home too. Thank you.

Birthday Wishes

A big happy birthday to Zion who will turn 4 this month.

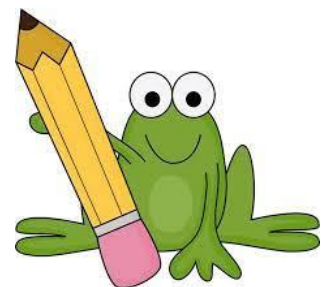


Big Bedtime Read

Just a wee reminder that you are invited to stay for a Big Bedtime Read information session immediately after pick-up time this week. Parents/Guardians of the Ladybird group are asked to stay on Thursday, and Butterflies are asked to stay on Friday. The session should take 15-20 minutes. **Please send a pair of pyjamas in a bag with your child's name on it, in to school with your child on the day of their Big Bedtime Read session.**

Physical Development

I have noticed some children writing capital letters at our mark making table, so I just want to mention fine motor skills. At Nursery, we provide a variety of opportunities for your child to strengthen and develop their hand muscles. Playing with dough, sand, connecting small pieces together at the construction table, using crayons, markers, chubby pencils, cutting with scissors and painting to name a few.



Teaching the children how to write is a very specialist skill which is introduced in Primary 1. Many activities are introduced, and various skills developed in Nursery, well

before the actual forming of the letters is introduced. The Getting Ready to Learn programme will offer you opportunities to continue these activities at home later in the year.

If your child does begin to try to copy letter shapes, that is absolutely fine. However, please don't try to correct them or show them how to do it or allow older siblings to show them as it may result in them forming handwriting habits which are difficult to change.

Nursery Trip

On Monday 16th December, our Nursery boys and girls will be visiting the Central Library for a Christmas song and story session. This will be followed by hot chocolates in the Scullery café. The children will be back in Nursery for their normal dinner/lunch time. There is no additional charge for this trip, it is all covered in the monthly Nursery fund.

School Closure

School will finish on Friday 20th December at 12 noon for the Christmas break. Our Nursery pupils can be picked up any time from 11:30am. The school reopens on Monday 6th January.



Reminders

Nursery fund for December is now due. This covers daily snack, school trips and buses, arts and crafts materials, and various visitors to the Nursery etc. Thank you to everyone who has sent it in already. Please remember to put any money in an envelope with your child's name on it.

May we take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this year. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Miss McNutt and Ms Magee

Christmas Hymns and Songs

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky, look down where he
lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

Silent Night

Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon virgin, mother and
child,
Holy infant so tender and
mild.
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

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.
My beard is black, there's soot in my sack,
My nose is tickly 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!

Jingle Bells

Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.

Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one horse open sleigh.

Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.

Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one horse open sleigh.

Dashing through the snow,
In a one horse open sleigh.

O'er the fields we go,
Laughing all the way.

Bells on bobtails ring,
Making spirits bright.

Oh what fun it is to sing
A sleighing song tonight.

Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.

Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one horse open sleigh.

Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way.

Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one horse open sleigh.

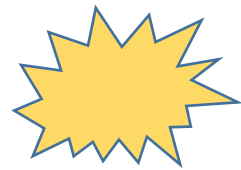
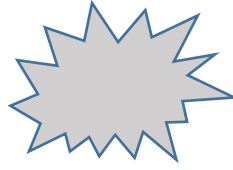
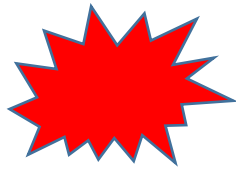
December Topics

The colours are

red

silver

and gold.



Winter

A Christmas tree



A snowman



warm clothes



On the Christmas Tree

A shiny star



An angel



Bells



A snowflake



A crib



Toys

Presents



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A Car

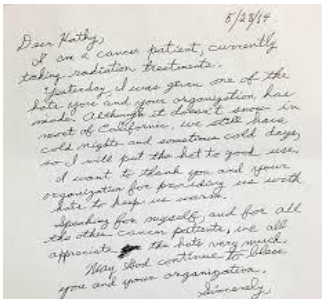


A Doll



The Post Office

A letter



An envelope



Stamps



Money

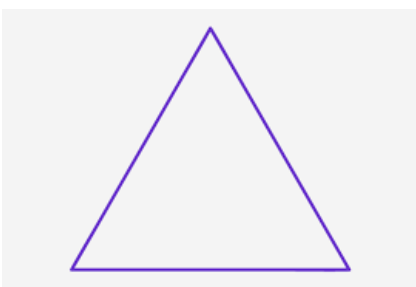


A trip to the Post Office



Shapes

Triangle



Star



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