

# Early Years Newsletter



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## NURSERY NEWS

Welcome to our final Newsletter of the year and phew, what a busy week it has been! We would like to begin by saying how proud we were of all the children during our performance of 'Whoops-A-Daisy-Angel'! It was lovely to see Nursery join forces with Reception for this fantastic Early Years Nativity. The Nursery children made excellent snowflakes and floated on the stage magnificently! They have all worked so hard with their performance and all the songs during rehearsals. We are sure parents are as proud of them as we all are and we hope you have thoroughly enjoyed watching your little one on stage during their time to shine. A really amazing and special time for parents.



Another fantastic highlight of this week has been our trip to Warwick Arts Centre to see the production of 'Father Christmas'. This was the perfect way to end such a fabulous week and both the children and adults thoroughly enjoyed it. The children were really well behaved throughout the whole afternoon and were such a credit to the school!



The children have had a tiring but very exciting week, culminating with a Christmas cookery session and making tasty mince pies. They enjoyed rolling and cutting the pastry before scooping the mixture and cooking them in the oven. It was a super scrumptious fun way to end such a fantastic week!



## Read, Write, Inc.

The children have been looking at the letter 'i' this week. We shall continue in January with some new letter sounds. During the first few days of term from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January we shall be revising the sounds we have learnt so far. New letter sounds will then begin on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019 with the letter 'n'. If children have any items at home beginning with this letter, they are as always welcome to bring them in to share with us. Children love looking at these items during group time and it is a lovely way for children to focus on the initial letter sound.

Our final few days of term next week are due to be very busy once again. Our Christmas Party will take place during the afternoon of Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Morning children are very welcome to stay on and join us for the party which should end by 3:00pm. Please let Nursery staff know if children are staying with us for this. Please send party clothes in a named bag and children will have the opportunity to change into them after lunch.

School ends on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 12pm and there will be no afternoon session on this day. We hope all children and parents enjoy the Christmas holidays. We always value parental involvement; therefore you are welcome to contribute to Tapestry and upload any Christmas pictures and messages for us to look at and discuss with the children on their return to Nursery in January. This also provides a lovely link between home and Nursery!

## Dates for your Diary

**17<sup>th</sup> December** - Nursery Christmas Party. This will take place during the afternoon of Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. If any morning children would like to stay on and join us for this, they are very welcome to do so and the party should end by 3:00pm. Please let Nursery staff know if any morning children would like to stay all day on the 17<sup>th</sup> to join us.

**18<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas jumper day & end of Term at 12pm Midday

**19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> December & 6<sup>th</sup> January** - Holiday club is open with fun activities taking place. (Forms are now available if you would like to book)

**7<sup>th</sup> January** - Inset Day. No school or Holiday Club on this day.

**8<sup>th</sup> January** - Spring Term begins

Many thanks for your continued support. We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

The Nursery Team



## RECEPTION NEWS



This is the final newsletter of the year, which seems unbelievable! What a busy last full week to end on too! With three Nativity shows (one to Swallows children) and a trip to the Art's Centre, to watch other people perform for a change, we have packed a huge amount into a few short days. As staff, we have been so impressed with how the children performed in their play, particularly when they are still so young. With some not turning five until August, the self-confidence that they have demonstrated in standing up on the stage with everyone looking at them and the bright lights shining in their eyes, is quite incredible! With not many weeks to rehearse the dances, moves and lines, they have all done an amazing job. Who knows, some of them could even be the stars of the future! We hope you had the opportunity to view the photographs that were taken by the photographer last week when everyone was dressed up in their costumes. They are super pictures to treasure forever.

For the rest of this week, we have been busy crafting Christmas decorations and edibles. It is such a wonderful time of the year because everything feels a bit magical and we are constantly surrounded by glitter and sparkly things - going home with it covering our hair, clothes and faces!



Not wanting to spoil the surprise, you will have to wait and see what we have made you!



We also had a fabulous trip to the Arts Centre and we are now truly in the festive spirit but also ready for a rest too!



**Requests** - If you have any unwanted toys in good condition for our out door classroom, we would love to have them!

**Dates for the term ahead.**  
8th of January term starts.

14th of January is **Reception's Parent's Evening.**

27th of January is the day of the **Class photographs.** (Please could you ensure that your child brings in their blazer.)

As staff, we would like to say a genuine thank you for all of the support and warmth you have shown us this term and for all the lovely Christmas greetings too!

We wish you a safe, healthy and fun filled Christmas. See you in 2020!

Warmest,

The Reception Staff