

Nursery Newsletter

30/11/2022



Dear Parents and Carers

This week we started learning some Christmas songs, you may have heard your child singing them at home.

Reindeer Hokey Pokey <https://youtu.be/E48dJsivx7s>

5 Little Snowmen Standing in a Row <https://youtu.be/vrfCD9wjLUE>

Pop Bang Crack Christmas Cracker Song <https://youtu.be/EPxpPkldiNO>

We Wish you a Merry Christmas <https://youtu.be/hNkvV4PR-q0>

Within the "Expressive Arts and Design" section of the Early Years Curriculum, for 3 & 4 year olds it states, "Remember and sing entire songs", "Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person", "Sing the melodic shape of familiar songs". Within "Physical Development", "Increasingly able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm. In "Maths", "Show finger numbers up to 5". All of this learning is being developed within the songs we are learning.

Thanks for your support last week with the Coat and Cake Sale. £120 was raised. Christmas raffle tickets are available too if you wish to buy any, £1 for a strip. Staff have donated prizes and all money raised will help pay for Christmas activities.

Your child will be bringing home a "Phonics" booklet which Miss Sargeant, our Phonics Lead in school, has asked can we send out. It will give you information on how you can support your child at home and how phonics is taught in our school.

We are planning a **Christmas Stay and Play on Friday 16th December 8:40am-9:40am** and **Monday 19th December 2:00pm-3:00pm**. More information on this will be sent out later this week.

A big thank you to our Year 6 friends who have been spending time in Nursery each day this week. A big focus in Nursery is based around the children's communication skills alongside their personal, social and emotional development. After chatting with Miss Nurse and Mr Lineton, our Year 6 teachers, it was agreed to trial a buddy scheme linking Nursery with a Year 6 friend who would spend time in Nursery playing, chatting and listening, basically being a positive role model engaging the children in back and forth conversations. It is only a trial at the moment which we are monitoring but we are hoping for a positive impact. It was so lovely seeing the Year 6 children engaging with our little ones and seeing a much softer, more gentle, caring side than they sometimes may show. Hearing of their many memories in Nursery too was lovely for staff to hear.

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Riley