



**\*\*\*Christmas\*\*\*** We would like all the children to make a small Christmas Cake. We are still in need of empty, clean tuna tins to cook them in. We kindly ask that you donate an ingredient for the Christmas cake if you can. There will be a list displayed in the cloakroom of the ingredients that we will need. If you can donate something please sign your child's name next to the ingredient. Can the ingredients please be brought into nursery by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

**The Nursery Nativity** will take place **on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December in the morning**. The children who attend nursery in the afternoon will come to nursery in the morning 8.30-11.30pm. You are invited to come and watch the performance at 10.30am. There will be NO afternoon nursery on this day.

**The Nursery Christmas party** will take place on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**. ALL children will attend nursery in the morning on this day. There will be NO afternoon nursery session. We will send out our party food list at a later date.

**Christmas 'Stay and Play'--- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**. At this session, you and your child will take part in lots of Christmas activities, such as baking, painting, making reindeer food and a Christmas decoration. If you are unable to attend, grandparents or a family member can come in your place. We kindly ask that only one adult attends per child and as we know you will want to work closely with your child. We kindly ask that toddlers and babies do not attend, please see Mrs Windsor if this will be a problem.

All children come to nursery at the normal session time. Adults then need to return at 10.15am (if your child attends nursery in the morning) and 2.15pm (if your child attends nursery in the afternoon).

**This week's learning:** We have revisited the story 'Meg and Mog' by Helen Nicholl and Jan Pienkowski. Several retellings of a favourite story enables children to clarify their ideas and pick up additional details of the content. Each retelling increases the children's familiarity with the story and will develop their comprehension skills. Our target vocabulary this week: chanted, cauldron, stirred, broomstick and spell. We have also learnt the vocabulary 'disappear, squeal and responsible'. Please try and use all these words at home.

The children have learnt how to mix colours (using the powder paint) following the sequence 'dip, dab, dob, mix'. The children followed instructions and used their fine motor skills when making a bread stick sparkler. The children were introduced to 'dough disco,' an activity that strengthens the children's fingers (fine motor skills) in preparation for writing. At music time, we have been listening to the 'Grimethorpe Colliery Band' and discussing the instruments that they play. Please ask your child about some of the learning they have done in nursery this week.

Overleaf, you will find our curriculum goals, these are the goals that we would like the children to achieve before they move up to school next September. The curriculum goals are displayed on the board in the cloakroom along with some photographs (to show the children's great learning and progress so far).

Once again, we have shared some of this week's learning on Twitter- so please have a look at our tweets.

'Skills for Life Challenge', thank you to everyone who has sent photos of their child tidying up their toys. A sticker will be placed in their skills passport.

Thank you for your continued support. Please don't hesitate to speak to us about any worries or concerns you may have, we are here to help. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Windsor and Mrs Hough.