



We hope those of you who came to watch our nativity play enjoyed it. We are sure that you will agree with us that the children were wonderful singers! The morning children will perform the nativity play again on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 11am and Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 11am. If your child attends nursery in the afternoon and you would like them to take part in one or both of these performances please bring them to nursery at 10.45am. Afternoon nursery sessions will run as normal. Again, only one adult per child may attend the performance and we ask that you wear a mask.

Unfortunately, our Christmas Stay and Play session on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December is no longer taking place. We will endeavour to re-arrange another 'Stay and Play' session in the spring term.

Please bring a carrier bag/bag with your child's name on into nursery on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Your child will have lots of Christmas crafts to bring home on this day.

Our Christmas party will take place on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 8.30am-11.30am. All children will come to the morning session. There will be NO afternoon nursery session on this day. Your child will have brought home an invitation with the party food that they would like to eat at our party. Please bring the party food into nursery on party day.

**This week's learning: We are now in the full swing of Christmas!**

The children have enjoyed listening to various stories about The First Christmas.

Our target vocabulary this week: Jesus, Mary, Joseph, manger, Christmas celebrate, travel, feelings (happy, frightened, excited, tired). Please try and use these words at home.

The children have been writing their name, practising our Christmas songs and using the small world resources to create Christmas stories. We are now counting down the sleeps until Christmas and the children have been very patient and accepted that they have to wait for their turn when we open our Advent calendar.

Cheeky Elf has been very mischievous this week. The children have enjoyed working together to find him when he has escaped from his box!

The children have also acted out the Nativity story using the 'Helicopter Story' approach (an approach to develop communication and literacy skills based on Storytelling and Story Acting).

<https://www.makebelievarts.co.uk/helicopterstorieslettingimaginationfly>

Please remember to ask your child about some of their learning in nursery this week.

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

**If you have not already done so, we ask that you please bring your child's birth certificate into nursery as we have to verify their date of birth as part of our records.**

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.