



Newsletter Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents and carers,

We have had such a fantastic week singing lots of nursery rhymes. Each day the learning has been linked to a specific nursery rhyme, but through the morning the children have been singing and moving to lots of different nursery rhymes. I could write pages and pages of the benefits of nursery rhymes, but I'll try and keep it brief!!

1. Builds Vocabulary
2. Laying foundations for reading
3. Adding actions develops fine and gross motor skills
4. Builds emotional awareness
5. Fun way to teach maths skills
6. Rhythmic awareness
7. Help children to understand phonological awareness
8. Segment words into syllables
9. Strengthen bonds and relationships with other

Keep singing nursery rhymes at home with your children, when on the move, in the bath, getting dressed.....

Parent Consultations

Week Beg. Monday 27th November

Next week, we're looking forward to having quality time with each parent, to discuss your child's progress so far this term.

Each appointment is **10 minutes** long with meetings taking place before and after.

Please can I kindly ask that you arrive in plenty of time for your appointment and finish within the 10 minutes.

Thank you for your support in ensuring the week runs smoothly for the staff and parents.

Christmas Celebrations

Thursday 14th December – ALL children are invited to our Christmas **party**. We have booked a bouncy castle and soft play. For those that usually attend a Thursday, please attend for your usual hours. **If your child is attending the party as an extra day**, please arrive for 9:20am and collect at 12:15pm. We will provide a morning Christmassy snack. Those staying for lunch, please continue to bring a **packed lunch**, if you wish you can make it Christmassy themed!

Friday 15th December – All children and families are invited for our Christmas 'singalong' in the Church and Mince Pie and Mingle for parents and children in the main hall. No costumes necessary as we have plenty.

9.00am – All children arrive

9:30am – Gather in the Church (NO HOT DRINKS PLEASE)

10:00am – 11:30am Mince Pie and Mingle in the hall **MAX 2 adults per child**

We are planning to set up a variety of craft activities that you can enjoy with your children, while you join us for some mulled wine and a mince pie.

Next week, we will send out a form for you to complete to let us know if you and your child will be attending the event in the Church and the Mince Pie and Mingle. All children must be accompanied by an adult if it is an extra day. If Friday is your child's usual day, then we will need to know if you will be attending the Mince Pie and Mingle or not so we can ensure a member of staff is responsible for your child.

Important Dates

Wk beg Monday 27 th November	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 6 th December	Music Workshop
Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Church	Christingle in the
Thursday 14 th December	Christmas Party (Children only)
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Event (Parents invited)

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Wednesday 3 rd January	Spring Term Starts
HALF TERM - Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th February	
Monday 19 th February	2 nd Half Term
Tuesday 26 th March	Finish for Easter

