



## Nursery Curriculum Information

Week Beginning: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents

This week in Nursery, we have read a variety of different Christmas stories and have revisited all the phonic sounds, numbers and 2D shapes that we have talked about this term. We have also enjoyed completing many Christmas craft activities.

- On Monday, the children had dance with Mrs Wilson. They had a busy morning in Nursery before we all went for a walk. Many of us were very keen to jump in puddles on the Prep playground, and had lots of fun jumping and getting very wet. We stayed inside for the rest of the day; in the afternoon we played circle games in the Pre Prep hall.
- On Tuesday, Miss Skinner came to the Nursery and we sang 'Happy Birthday!' to her. We had a lovely morning in the Nursery and many of the children continued to complete their Christmas cards with an adult. In the afternoon, some of the children spent a long time outside with Mrs Hampsheir breaking up large sheets of ice, using our tools. The children collected and explored the ice shapes.
- On Wednesday, the children looked really lovely dressed up in their Christmas jumpers. In the morning we had our Nursery Christmas party in the Pre Prep hall. The children enjoyed playing simple dancing games and had a special party snack time. We spent the rest of the morning making gingerbread men and enjoying playing and doing busy jobs in the Nursery. In the afternoon we had music with Miss Skinner in the music room, and played outside on the bikes and trikes.
- On Thursday, we had a lovely morning as Mr Ruffell, the retired Head of Geography from the Prep Department, came to visit Nursery. He showed the children volcanic rocks and we used our model volcano to watch a volcano erupt, using Coca Cola and mints to create an explosion outside. Some children continued to make gingerbread men. Lots of the children have really impressed us this week with their careful colouring skills.
- On Friday, we went to the sports hall and enjoyed running, jumping and landing on the crash mats and playing with the balls and hoops. Then we played in Nursery. The children really enjoyed their Christmas lunch and Christmas ice-cream, wearing penguin party hats and shouting "Three Cheers for the Dinner Ladies". In the afternoon we joined the rest of Pre Prep to sing carols and Christmas songs around the Christmas tree. We even received a gift from Father Christmas.

We hope that all the Little Acorns have a wonderful Christmas and a super holiday. We look forward to seeing all the children in January and wish you all a very Happy New Year.

**Dates for your diary:**

**Monday 5 February – 1.30 - 3.00pm:** Mrs Bailey and Mrs Hampsheir key person meetings

(Details on how to book slots will follow in the new year)

**Tuesday 6 February – 1.30-3.00pm:** Miss Bruce and Mrs Hampsheir key person meetings

**Wednesday 7 February – 1.30-3.00pm:** Mrs Coman and Mrs Hampsheir key person meetings

**Thursday 8 February – 1.30-3.00pm:** Mrs Amies and Mrs Hampsheir key person meetings

**Thursday 1 March:** World Book Day – dress as your favourite book character

With very best wishes from Mrs Harries, Mrs Hampsheir and the Little Acorns Teaching Assistants

*Melanie Amies*