



...and just like that it is December and so very close to Christmas!

We have really enjoyed being able to welcome families, parents and carers back into the nursery both for planned sessions and as part of drop off and collection. Collection time is always a great opportunity for us to have a quick catch-up about your child's learning in nursery and how they are getting on.

We wish you all a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we will see you all on **Wednesday 4th January 2023.**



Parental Engagement

Nursery Families, Parents and Carers have played an important part in all that we have achieved in Term 2.

This has included:

- Coming to our Stay and Play session
- Attending our Parent Consultations
- Joining us to deliver our Harvest Collection to the Food Bank
- Supporting our Christmas outing to soft play

A huge **THANK YOU** to all our families for your continued support!



Nursery Environment

You will have noticed the changes in our indoor nursery setting. We were very excited when some big boxes arrived for the nursery with some new furniture.



We had asked the children what they felt we needed in our nursery and almost all the children agreed that we needed a new house corner. In our self-evaluation floor-book you can see our consultation process and evaluations that we undertook with the children about all the areas across the nursery. Please feel free to look in our Self-Evaluation floor-book when you are in Nursery!

Our new or improved nursery areas are:

- Home corner
- Library including literacy and numeracy
- Sand and water play
- Construction and lock play
- Arts and craft

Indoor Shoes

We would like our children to keep a pair of indoor shoes in nursery to change into from their outdoor shoes.



Wet shoes and boots can be a little slippy on the nursery flooring so by changing shoes this will keep our indoor space safer and cleaner. No special shoes are needed. Indoor shoes can be slippers, trainers, gym rubbers or another type of shoe.

Each child will have their own basket to keep the shoes in under their peg.

Nursery Hours

Our nursery hours are:

Monday – Thursday

Drop off 8:45-9:00am

Collection 3:00-3:15pm

Friday

Drop off 8:30-8:45am

Collection 12:15-12:30pm

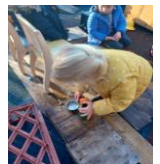


A gentle reminder to ask that you are on time at the end of day to pick up your child as staff will often have training and meetings to attend following Nursery hours. If you are running late – please give us a phone and let us know...

Outdoor Play

Even though the weather has quickly gone from autumn to winter we continue to take our learning outside into the garden area. Popular play this term was:

- Mini-beast hunting (not many around in the cold)
- Experimenting with the ice in the water tray
- Playing on the trikes
- Lots of cooking and baking in the mud kitchen



Collaborative Learning with P1-3

This term we have been linking with P1-3 for our Nativity practise to learn our songs and actions. We were listening and following instructions.

We have also had opportunities to join together for play across the nursery and P1-3 classroom.

