



EYFS Newsletter

January 2024

Happy New Year! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable Christmas break.

Reminder

Water bottles - please make sure your child has a named bottle full of **water** everyday.

Names - please make sure every item is named, from hats to shoes, lunchboxes to book bags. It helps your child to become independent and can also be very distressing if they cannot find their belongings.

Lunchboxes - if your child brings in a lunchbox, please remember we are a NUT FREE school! Please check the ingredients of chocolate spreads too. Thank you!

Change of clothes—If you haven't done so already, please send in a bag of spare underwear, socks and uniform to keep on your child's peg in school. We only have a limited supply of clothes to change them into.

Christmas Worship

We want to thank you all for your support with our Christmas worships. I am sure that you agree with us of how proud we were to see all the children taking part and enjoying the Nativity performances. These performances helped to remind us about the special meaning of Christmas. In addition to this, thank you for those who joined us at the Christmas Carol service. It was lovely to see so many Early Years families.

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This term we will be changing our weekly **woodland** sessions to **Tuesdays**. Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat and wellies for these.

This half term we have lots of exciting learning planned, including a visit from a Local author on , learning about the changing seasons in Winter and we will end our half term with a visit from the planetarium on Thursday 8th February, linking our learning to Space.

Our Learning in Autumn 2

Wow! What a fantastic end to 2023 we had!

- ◇ The children were excited to explore Fireworks in different ways. They created pictures using different techniques such as paint blowing, fork printing and with chalks. They wrote simple words to describe fireworks, including what they could hear and see.
- ◇ The children have enjoyed learning within their role play areas. They have been on camping trips, been vets, worked in pet shops and loved being elves in a Santa's workshop.
- ◇ This half term we followed the children's interests from our visit to the woodland area. The children noticed a hedgehog hibernation hut which led to us learning about hibernation, nocturnal animals and how to look after unwell animals. We had a visitor from Brent Lodge animal hospital.
- ◇ We celebrated Children in Need day and learnt about Remembrance day. We took part in activities linked to these celebrations and explored our school value of Kindness to others within these.
- ◇ To finish the year we learnt about advent and the Nativity story. We explored the true meaning of Christmas. The children enjoyed a variety of exciting learning linked to Christmas.



Ways to Support at Home

Please read with your child regularly at home. We recommend that you read with your child 5 times a week and record this in their reading record. Please keep your eyes out for updates on the introduction of Tapestry.



Our Learning in Autumn

Personal development



Communication



Physical development



Literacy



Maths



Expressive arts and design



Understanding the world



A BIG THANK YOU FROM US...TO YOU!

We are sure that you agree what a fantastic start to school life your children are making. We want to thank you for your continuing support to our school community.