



# Nursery Curriculum Letter

## Friday 1st December

# Autumn 2023

THE DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR A PLACE IN RECEPTION IS APPROACHING!

PLEASE DO SO BY 15TH JANUARY 2024.

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH ANY QUESTIONS.



Bear Cubs,



Fox Cubs,



Lion Cubs

We have been practising for our show all week and we can't wait to share it with you on Tuesday!

### Curriculum



We will of course be focused on the Christmas story and we will use our show to remember all the different people involved in the Nativity.  
We will also explore how people celebrate Christmas with different traditions all around the world.

### Literacy Communication and Language



We will practise retelling the Christmas story out loud.  
We will practise writing the letters in our names.

### Maths



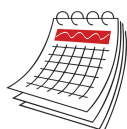
We will learn some Christmas counting songs and practise our one-to-one counting skills and numeral recognition as we sing.

### Physical Development



Development of ongoing skills such as:  
Go up steps & stairs, or climb up apparatus, using alternate feet  
Use one handed tools & equipment, e.g. making snips in paper with scissors  
Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils  
Continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes & bikes) & ball skills.

### Dates for the term



**Monday 4th December** - Nursery Christmas production dress rehearsal  
**Tuesday 5th December** - Christmas production in the Nursery - 11am & 2.30pm  
**Wednesday 13th, 14th and 15th** - Learning together Christmas Cake decorating  
**Thursday 21st December** - Nursery Party and last day of term  
As this is a half day for the whole school we have different timings for our sessions:  
**Bear Cubs** - 8.45am - 10.45am  
**Lion Cubs** - 11.30am - 1.30pm  
**Fox Cubs** - 8.45am - 1.30pm

## Reminders



- Please ensure your child has a named woolly hat in the hat box, we have sent summer hats home and now need hats suitable for the winter weather!
- **Please make sure you have made your contribution of £5 for the DT and science activities we do throughout the year. As of 4pm on Wednesday 29th November only 4 families have paid. If we do not receive these contributions we will not be able to run some of our fun activities such as playdough, cooking and tasting foods as well as other activities such as decorating baubles or planting seeds.**
- We need a couple more helpers for the first half an hour of the Lion & Fox Cub party. If you are free to join us please let us know, it will be lots of fun!

### Special requests

- We are looking for some helpers to help us cut out holly leaves and wrap bases for our Christmas cakes. These are jobs which can be done in front of the tv one evening and we will provide you with everything you need and an example to follow. If you have a bit of time to help us just let us know over the next few days.

## Learning at home

### Christmas Song words - keep practising!!

Below are the words to the Christmas songs for our show. The children have been learning these at school but a little extra help at home would be a great support!



This week you might like to have a look at this new book:



**Thank you, the Nursery Team**  
**Mrs Towner, Mrs Ludlam & Mrs Willmont**



## Christmas song words



### Go Away! (to the tune Keel Row)

"Have you any room please, in your Inn?" Joseph said.

"No, go away, we don't have any beds!"

(Repeat 3 times)

### We must go to Bethlehem (to the tune of Oranges and Lemons)

We must go to Bethlehem,  
To Bethlehem, To Bethlehem

We must go to Bethlehem,  
To Bethlehem we'll go.

(to be sung 4 times)

### Baa, Baa, Black Sheep

Baa, baa, black sheep,

Have you any wool?

Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full.

One for the master,

And one for the dame,

And one for the little boy,

Who lives down the lane.

### Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star(sing twice)

Twinkle, twinkle little star,  
How I wonder what you are.

Up above the world so high,  
Like a diamond in the sky.

Twinkle, twinkle little star,  
How I wonder what you are.

Away in a Manger (hum second verse)

Away in a manger  
No crib for a bed,  
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.  
The stars in the bright sky  
Looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.