



Nursery Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 6th January 2025

All of the Nursery team would like to thank the parents and children for the lovely Christmas gifts, They are very much appreciated. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and we look forward to seeing you all back ready to continue to learn and grow.

Mrs Machin goes on maternity leave on Friday 10th January. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her hard work and we look forward to hearing some exciting news soon.

This week, we will begin to focus on our topic theme of 'Winter', we will explore how the environment changes during the season of Winter.

In Literacy we will begin the story 'Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What do you hear?'. We will listen to the story. We will learn the story through repetition and actions, becoming more confident in our speaking

In Maths we will be learning all about the number 3, including, writing it, counting 3 objects and counting 3 objects from a group. We will also be practising subitising to 3. We will also learn what numbers we use to make 3. Additionally we will begin to look at the shape circle and describe it's properties.

In RE, this week we will begin our new unit, 'Christmas - Mary, the Mother of Jesus.' We will learn that we are celebrating Jesus' birthday and that Mary is his Mother. *With your child, take some time to think about what it means to be a Mother.*

In Understanding the World, we will talk about how the environment changes during Winter.

In expressive Arts & Design, we will make some ice ornaments.

We will recap on setting the expectations of 'Ready, Respectful and Safe' so we will teach the children how to behave in the classroom areas, ensuring they are playing nicely with the other children and being safe.



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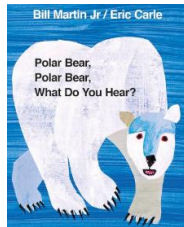
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Focus words this week: Winter, Christmas, Polar Bear, Hippopotamus

Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story

Polar Bear,
Polar Bear,
what do you
hear?



Focus: Number 3



Can you spot the number 3?

Can you count 3 from a group of
objects?

Can you have a go at writing the
number 3?

Rhyme of the Week:

The Grand Old Duke of York

Oh, the grand old Duke of York
He had ten thousand men
He marched them up to the top
of the hill
And he marched them down
again

And when they were up, they
were up
And when they were down,
they were down
And when they were only half-
way up
They were neither up nor
down.

Nursery Staffing Arrangements

The Nursery class is being taught by a
Nursery Team of staff: Mrs Bamforth, Mrs
Evans (Teacher) and Mrs Machin (Teaching
Assistant).

If you have any concerns, please contact
Mrs Hannett.

Story Time

Reading books will be changed on Monday.
Please send your child's book bag into
school each day.



Reminder: Nursery Opening Times

Morning Session 8:40-11:40 Afternoon Session 12:20 -3:20

The gates will be opened to allow parents to bring their child down to
classroom and collect from the classroom.

Please ensure, your child arrives and is collected promptly.



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This week the children will:

- We will learn 'The Grand Old Duke of York'
- We will learn the Literacy text 'Polar Bear, Polar Bear, what do you hear?'
- We will make the different animal sounds.
- We will learn about the number 3.
- We will learn about Winter
- We will go on a Winter walk around the school grounds and talk about what we notice
- We will make ice ornaments
- We will role play 'The Stable' from 'The Nativity'
- We will learn to share and wait our turn through snack time.
- We talk learn about Christmas being Jesus' birthday and that Mary is his Mother.
- We will also continue to learn our daily prayers.
- The children will complete first PE with Mr Davies on Thursday
- The children will have music with Miss Scoines on a Tuesday and Friday
- We will welcome the new children starting in Nursery.



Monday 6th January - INSET Day - Children not in school

Tuesday 7th January - Children Back to School for Spring Term 1

Saturday 11th January - Parish/School Mass at St Joseph's, Darlaston. 4pm, all welcome. The Bishop will be in attendance.

Thursday 23rd January - Chinese New Year Parent Workshop

AM Group - 9:15-10:15 PM Group - 12:30-1:30

Thursday 30th January - 'Pilgrims of Hope', One Life Music Retreat Day for the whole school.

Tuesday 11th February - Safer Internet Day - 'Too Good to be True'

Thursday 13th February - Funky Fingers Parent Workshop

AM Group - 9:15-10:15 PM Group - 12:30-1:30

SPRING HALF TERM - Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

Monday 24th February - Children back to school for SPRING 2