



18 November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Nursery Weekly Information – w/b 18.11.24

Winter Weather

Please ensure any hats, scarves and gloves are clearly named please.

Nursery Nativity Tableaux

Performance times and dates

Tuesday 10 December
9.00am - 9.30am

or

Thursday 12 December
9.00am – 9.30am

Costumes Required

Please can we ask that your child dress up as a character from the nativity story, for example a king, angel, shepherd, farm animal, star etc. They will arrive in school on the day of their Nativity Tableaux in their costumes.

This week we are:

- Continuing to learn our Christmas songs!
- Talking about where we live and comparing different types of homes.
- Practising our threading skills.
- Building and stacking bricks.
- Creating collages and exploring different materials.

Our skill of the week

This week we are encouraging the Cygnets and Swans to learn simple songs and actions for our Christmas performances.

Reading Focus

This week our two year olds are spotting environmental sounds e.g. car noises, trains, leaves blowing in the wind, dogs barking. We are encouraging them to have a go at copying sounds and thinking about the sounds you can make when spotting these in stories.

Our three and four year olds are repeating key words and phrases from familiar stories and joining in with the reading.

Word Aware

Each week we introduce the children to some new words and use them in lots of different contexts to really deepen their understanding. Below are some ways you can support and reinforce this learning at home.

This week's concept words:

2 year olds

This week's concept word is: fat

Help your child at home: talk about animals that are fat and not fat.

3 and 4 year olds

This week's concept word is: short

Help your child at home: sharpen some pencils and talk about which ones are short and not short.

Handy hints



Getting dressed is an important life skill for pre-schoolers, but many children find dressing tricky, and it takes practice. Jane, one of our Early Years Specialists, suggests turning it into a fun game...

Begin by breaking the dressing activity into small, straight forward steps. Tackle one step at a time and give help where needed with the other steps of the task, for example, help your child to place the coat the correct way to start.

You Will Need:

- You and your child
- A coat (and one for yourself if you're practising together)

The Coat Flip:

Start by talking to your child about what you're going to do. Consider having a coat of your own so that you can practise together.

Once you've explained the activity, encourage your child to tell you what they're going to do – ask questions – for example, “What will you do first? Tell me what comes next.” This will prompt them to communicate and use predictions.

Step 1: Child to put the coat down on the floor/a table.

Step 2: Child to stand near the tag/hood (tag to toes).

Step 3: Child to put their arms through the arm holes.

Step 4: Child flips the coat over their head.

Have a great week,

Mrs Frost and Mrs Hughes



For your calendar:

Wednesday 20.11.24

PTA Meeting at The Blenheim.

Everyone welcome.

PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale

Thursday 21.11.24

at the West Gate at 8.30am



Thank you to everyone who took a bag of second hand uniform home to wash after last Thursday's PCTC. We would be very grateful if these could be returned to the school office before Thursday.

Coming up soon:

November		
w/b Monday 18.11.24	-	Internal clubs start
Monday 18.11.24	All day	Y2 Visit to the park and Baitul Futuh Mosque
Tuesday 19.11.24	All day	Community Prefects non uniform day for whole school to support https://toilettwinning.org/
Wednesday 20.11.24	8.00pm	PTA Meeting at The Blenheim
Thursday 21.11.24	8.30am – West Gate	PTA Second hand uniform sale
Thursday 21.11.24	Morning	YR visit to Christ Church
Thursday 21.11.24	Evening	Y5 Star Gazing
Friday 22.11.24	-	PTA non uniform day (Please bring in a chocolate bar for the Christmas Fair tombola)

Wednesday 27.11.24	During the day	Y6 visit to Epsom Council Chambers
Thursday 28.11.24	9.15am – 10.15am	Prospective families Open Morning – School and Nursery - please book via our website.
Friday 29.11.24	-	PTA non uniform day (Please bring in a bottle in a bag for the Christmas Fair tombola)
Friday 29.11.24	Evening	PTA Wreath Making event
December		
Sunday 1.12.24	11.00am – 1.00pm	PTA Christmas Fair

Reminders for you:

w/b 18.11.24

Internal Clubs start again this week and run for four weeks.

Tuesday 19.11.24

Community Prefects non uniform day for whole school to support <https://toilettwinning.org/>

Suggested £1.00 cash donation on the gate.

Request

We've had a request from a parent that in the mornings, please could you not block the path, just before Christ Church Mount, if you stop and chat.

Christmas PTA Reminders:



Stamford Green's 'Elfridges Pop-Up Store is landing at the Christmas Fair!

To make this event truly special, we need your help!
Donations Needed: Please donate a couple of new unwanted gifts to fill our shelves. Popular gift ideas include (but not limited to):

Candles, hand cream, socks, bubble bath, shower gel, stationary, beauty products, mugs, biscuits, face masks



Drop-off Details: Please bring your donated gifts to either gate on 13th, 15th or 20th November (drop off or pick up)

On the Day: Children will have a chance to shop for their loved ones

Gift Wrapping Service: our band of wrapping elves will be on hand to wrap the gifts for the children - all part of the 'Elfridges service!'



Let's make this a memorable and festive shopping experience for the kids!

Token Sales

The PTA will be selling tokens for the Christmas Fair at the East and West Gate, before and after school, on the following dates:

Tuesday 19.11.24
 Thursday 21.11.24
 Monday 25.11.24
 Wednesday 27.11.24
 Friday 29.11.24

12 tokens for £5.00 before the Christmas Fair. 10 tokens for £5.00 if bought at the fair.

Non School Uniform Day Friday 22.11.24

Please bring in a chocolate bar for the Christmas Fair tombola. Please remember that we are a nut free school.



Thank you.