



9 December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Nursery Weekly Information – w/b 9.12.24

Nursery start time

Please make sure your child is at the Gate and ready to walk in at 8.40am. We are having to make several visits to the Gate for latecomers and this has a big impact on the morning routines.

If you arrive after the Gate has closed please notify the office so they can be added to the register.

Costumes

Swan's Nativity Tableaux And Cygnet Songs

Performance times and dates

Tuesday 10 December

9.00am - 9.30am

or

Thursday 12 December

9.00am – 9.30am

Please see below for an explanation of which space your child will be performing in.

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 or Cygnet songs in their costumes.

They will need a named carrier bag with their uniform in so that they can get changed after the performance.

Please do not send costume items that need to be held in a hand e.g. a wand.

This week we are:

- Performing our Christmas songs!
- Using the balance scales to help us learn what 'heavy' means.
- Beginning to think about the difference between drawing and writing.
- Creating an outside Christmas tree using boxes.
- Using wooden blocks to build shelters for our animals.
- Making vertical, horizontal and circular marks.
- Noticing the changes in the season.

Our skill of the week

This week we are encouraging both the Cygnets and the Swans to practise and perform their Christmas songs. Please ask your child what songs they are singing at school and can they sing some to you?

We have learnt these songs so far:

Christmas Pudding

Twinkle Twinkle

When Santa got stuck up the chimney

Father Christmas

I'm a Little Snowman

SANTA

Jingle Bells

Snowflake

We wish you a Merry Christmas!

Reading Focus

This week are encouraging the Cygnets to continue listening to the sounds that they hear all around them and having a guess at what is making that sound. Our Swans are going to be encouraged to join in with words and repeated phrases in familiar stories.

Word Aware

This week's concept words:

2 year olds

This week's concept word is: noisy

Help your child at home: do a range of activities in a **noisy** manner followed by being not **noisy**. For example, walking, banging bricks together or playing music.

3 and 4 year olds

This week's concept word is: hard

Help your child at home: take it in turns to be blindfolded. Get the person who cannot see to sit on objects that are **hard** and not **hard**. Can they say which ones are **hard**?

Handy hints:

Hitting, biting, kicking and fighting

Most young children occasionally bite, hit or push another child. Toddlers are curious and may not understand that biting or pulling hair hurts.

This does not mean your child will grow up to be aggressive. Here are ways to teach your child that this behaviour is unacceptable.

Do not hit, bite or kick back

This could make your child think it's acceptable to do this. Instead, make it clear that what they're doing hurts and you will not allow it.

Talk to them

Children often go through phases of being upset or insecure and express their feelings by being aggressive. Finding out what's worrying them is the first step to being able to help.

If it continues...

If your child continues to show this behaviour, give them time out. They may need time to calm down and also know that if they do this then they can no longer play. It's recommended that they have 1 minute of time out for each of their years e.g 2 minutes for a 2 year old. At first it may seem they are unphased but after a few times they start to realise there is a consequence and they are missing out on fun!

Have a great week,

Mrs Frost and Mrs Hughes



For your calendar:

Wednesday 11.12.24

School Council's Generations Coffee Morning.

Grandparents, retired neighbours are welcome to join our School Councillors for a cup of tea, some biscuits and a lovely chat.

Friday 20.12.24

School closes early for the Christmas holiday.

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Y3/Y6: 12.50pm	Y3/Y6: 12.55pm
Y4/Y5: 12.55pm	Y4/Y5: 1.00pm
Sunset Collection:	
2.30pm or 3.30pm - 4.00pm	

Coming up soon:

December		
w/b 9.12.24	-	Last week for Internal clubs
Tuesday 10.12.24	9.00am – 9.30am	YN Nativity Tableaux for families in the Hall Children taking part will be those attending Nursery that day
Wednesday 11.12.24	All day	Y1 Bright lights, big cities day
Wednesday 11.12.24	10.30am – 11.45am	School Council's Generations coffee morning – Grandparents, retired neighbours are welcome to join our School Councillors
Wednesday 11.12.24 – Tuesday 17.12.24	-	Children's Christmas cards to each other can be posted in the Christmas post box at the East and West Gates
Wednesday 11.12.24	8.45am – 9.30am	Y4 Carols by Candlelight for Parents/Carers in the Hall – Two seats per child
Thursday 12.12.24	-	Save the Children charity event – Wear a Christmas jumper and non uniform day - £1 donation
Thursday 12.12.24	9.00am – 9.30am	YN Nativity Tableaux for families in the Hall Children taking part will be those attending Nursery that day
Friday 13.12.24	8.45am - 9.45am	Y2 Christmas Show for Parents/Carers in the Hall – Two seats per child
Friday 13.12.24	Afternoon	YR to Y6 Class Christmas parties for children only
Monday 16.12.24	8.45am – 9.45am	Y3 Nativity for Parents/Carers in the Hall – Two seats per child
Tuesday 17.12.24	8.45am – 9.30am	RB's First Christmas Songs for families in the Hall
Wednesday 18.12.24	8.45am – 9.30am	RH's First Christmas Songs for families in the Hall
Wednesday 18.12.24	1.45pm	Y5 and Y6 Carol Service at Christ Church – Doors open for families at 1.40pm

Thursday 19.12.24	8.45am – 9.30am	RP's First Christmas Songs for families in the Hall																
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Reminders for you:

Christmas Performances at School (Y1 – Y4)

There will only be two seats per child, due to the limited space in the hall. If you are bringing a younger child with you, they will need to sit on your lap. Please be aware that if you are attending a performance, you will not be able to leave during the show.

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Children can post Christmas cards to each other in the Christmas post boxes at the East and West Gates.



Thursday 12.12.24

Save the Children charity event. Wear a Christmas jumper and non uniform day - suggested £1 donation for the Save the Children charity.



Christmas Performance – West Gate

If parents/carers wish to leave via the West Gate after a performance, please wait at the East Gate and once everyone is out of the hall and ready, you will be taken up to the West Gate together. You will not be able to walk up unaccompanied and buzz yourself out.

Community News- Bake Sale

Our fantastic Year 6 Community Prefects will be running a bake sale for Pets As Therapy on Monday 16 December. At Stamford Green we are lucky enough to benefit from support from Max and Bella (and Coco in training) and this Christmas we would like to spread this joy to others. Pets As Therapy four-legged friends visit hospitals, care homes, schools and hospices where they help to mend hearts, lift spirits and bring hope to people facing some of life's toughest challenges. So, join us on Monday 16 December and enjoy some yummy baked goods and help a good cause at the same time!

Cash donations only so please bring change. For more information about Pets As Therapy please go to <https://petsastherapy.org/>

Can you help?

Iftar Planning Committee

Next spring, we would like to host a school Iftar during Ramadan. Everyone will be welcome. The event will be a wonderful opportunity for the whole school community to come together at this special time. We are looking for volunteers to be part of our planning committee, to advise and support the event. If you feel you would like to be part of this team, please contact Mrs Temlett via email parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk