



Nursery Life

December 2025

What we've been up to this month...

December: Christmas!! We have been exploring making reindeer food, the weather in the north pole – supported by the use of our snow machine to make every day magical. We have engaged in arctic play dough, footprint Santa sleighs, handprint mistletoes and handprint reindeers.

We have had a visit from father christmas who very kindly gifted each child a Christmas book to read over the holidays! We have also been looking at how this holiday is celebrated from around the world!

The children have been exploring dancing along to their favourite christmas songs with their peers and engaging in with different games such as throwing the hoop onto the reindeers' antlers.

We have all been joining in with celebrating christmas through coming together for a christmas lunch which has allowed the children to talk about their experiences over the holidays for example trips to see father christmas and what they are excited to experience over the children holiday!

Christmas Closing Dates:

Please note that the nursery will close for Christmas on Tuesday 23rd December and will reopen on Friday 2nd January.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back and hearing all the brilliant Christmas stories the children will have to share! Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

What's happening next month...

January we will be looking at Winter Wonders!

We will be looking at arctic animals and their habitats, exploring different weathers and what comes with them, how to keep safe in the colder weathers, making snowflake biscuits and engaging in ice play.

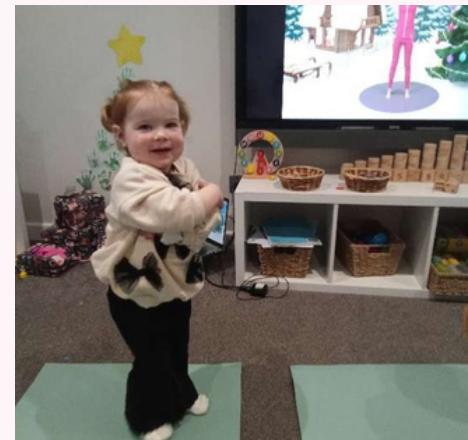
We will be celebrating penguin awareness day and squirrel appreciation day!





Activities we will do at nursery:

- Exploring ice play
- Making winter sensory bags
- Making cyclone sensory bottles
- Exploring arctic animals
- Painting polar bears
- Learning about different homes e.g Igloos
- Talking about habitats
- Learning about the importance of keeping warm
- Making arctic gloo
- Making pastry winter trees



January's Preschool focus:

We will be focusing on Rhyming sounds. We will be linking this to nursery rhymes and engaging in orchard games and reading stories such as hairy McClary.



Some ideas to do at home:

- A boat trip to Brownsea Island to explore the red squirrels.
- A visit to the aquarium to see the penguins.
- Frosty winter walk
- Exploring the different coloured leaves on trees
- Making gingerbread houses - [LINK HERE](#)
- Staying safe in the colder months - [LINK HERE](#)

We would love to see any photos of activities & experiences from home via the Interactive Learning Diary!

