

Early Years Newsletter: 6



Nursery with Mrs Bendall

This week, the children have been interested in wrapping parcels containing intriguing items, such as spiders and socks! This has led to sending letters and making post-boxes and culminated in a trip to the post-box next to the local shop. On our walk, we spotted many interesting features, including the church, a nodding dog and a house where we suspected three owls lived (there were three owls on the sign!) We hope that the letters arrived safely.

The children have also enjoyed making juice out of oranges and cutting fruit for their snack. There has been toast available, too and an opportunity to practise jam-spreading skills.

Outside, we have had a lovely time playing swing-ball and creating our own games using balls and Frisbees.

We have started practising songs for our Christmas celebration. This will be a very informal opportunity to sing together and enjoy a mince pie and drink in celebration of this special time.



Reception with Miss Smith and Ms Oliver

The children this week have thoroughly enjoyed using our space role-play. They have particularly enjoyed the new astronaut costumes as well as the suitcase filled with wonderful things to take to space. The water tray has generated a lot of interest this week; the children have been investigating how to plug holes in containers to stop the water coming out. We have also been drawing self-portraits, measuring objects, counting numicon, making gingerbread play dough and using the dark tent to investigate reflection.

We have been very busy practising our Christmas Concert. The children have been singing and learning their lines ready for the big day. You will receive your tickets shortly. You will be allocated 2 tickets only, if there are any reserves you must go to the office to ask for extra tickets. The PTA have very kindly offered to provide refreshments such as cake, coffee, tea and mince pies on the day. The performance will last no longer than 20 minutes. The children will then come back to the classroom after the performance to continue their school day. Please ensure that all children have a Christmas jumper for the concert, they will be allowed to stay in this all day.

Dates for your diary

- *Monday 11th December, 11:00* Nursery Christmas Celebration (Children who do not normally attend on Mondays are welcome to take part.)
- Thursday 14th December Reception Christmas Concert at 9.30am
- *Friday 15th December* Whole School Pantomime at Overstone at 2pm, Christmas Jumper day and Last Day for Nursery Children
- Tuesday 19th December Church Service, Christmas Lunch and Last Day of Term

Best wishes,

The Early Years Team