Redesdale Primary School

PATTINA RY SCHOOL

Nursery

Spring 1

January 2017



Important dates:

Goalden Shot Assembly—23.1.17. NUFC talk to the children about the Goalden Shot day. Sponsor forms will be sent out in due course. Goalden Shot day -17.2.17 (Children to come to Nursery dressed in sports clothes)

Chinese New Year - 28.1.17

We will be talking about Chinese New Year and the Year of the Rooster.

Safer Internet Day - 7.2.17

The children will find out how to be safe on games and apps when on the internet.

Sing-Up Assembly- 8.2.17

Nursery children will be performing a song in assembly to the rest of the school called 'Shake my sillies out'. We will be practising this in school time.

Frozen Party - 10.2.17

Children can come to Nursery in party clothes (or fancy dress clothes linked to 'Frozen') to take part in our Frozen party. There will be no charge for this event.

Valentines Day - 14.2.17 - The children can come to Nursery dressed in non uniform. Children to bring £1 to take part in a range of activities in Nursery. More information to follow.

Parents Evenings: 28.2.17 &1.3.17

Sheets to sign for your preferred time will be put up nearer the time.



Thanks to all of you that are signed up to ClassDojo and make use of it as a communication tool.

As a school, we are very conscious of ensuring a good work-life balance and have instructed all staff to set their 'Quiet Hours' for weekdays (between 6.30pm and 7.00am) and over the weekend when notifications won't be pushed to their devices.

We would also like to ensure that ClassDojo is a place for positive communication only. If we need to discuss any behaviour issues with you about your child or if you would like to discuss any concerns with us, we would prefer to do it in person or over the telephone. Please contact staff in the yard or phone the School Office.

Happy New Year from all the staff, we hope you had a good festive period. This half term our learning will be based around the theme of



'Frozen'





Children will learn ...

Personal, Social and Emotional Development: To select and use activities and resources with help. Begin to accept the needs of others and will be encouraged to take turns and share resources. To keep play going by responding to what others say or do.

Physical Development: To catch a large ball, hold a pencil between their thumb and two fingers, and to copy some letters from their name. To observe the effects of activity on their bodies.

Communication and Language: To be able to follow directions and develop oral speaking skills.

Literacy: Begin to be aware of the way stories are structured. Describe main story settings, events and principal characters. Recognise familiar words and signs such as their own name and advertising logos. Ascribe meanings to marks that they see in different places.

Mathematics: To know that a group of things change in quantity when something is added or taken away. Uses some number names accurately in play. Sometimes matches numeral and quantity correctly. Shows an interest in representing numbers. To use positional language and talk about the shapes of everyday objects.

Understanding the World: Show an interest in different occupations and ways of life. Comments and asks questions about where they live and talk about why things happen. To show an interest in technological toys with knobs or pulleys.

Expressive Arts and Design: To sing a few familiar songs. Begin to move rhythmically and imitate movement in response to music.

Things you can do at home to help:

- Encourage your child to put on and take off their coat independently.
- Help your child to go to the toilet independently.
- Practise writing letters in cursive handwriting.
- Encourage your child to recognise and write their name.
- Read stories with your child every day. Nursery children bring home a book from the library every Wednesday.

Thank you for your continued support during this busy half term. Mrs Nichol, Mrs Rayner and the Nursery team