



# Steeple Nursery School

Focus 4: Winter 2023



# HAPPY NEW YEAR

Welcome back everyone. Hope you all had a lovely, safe and peaceful Christmas.

## Dates for your diary:

- **Jo Jingles: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January & Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**
- **Fun With Drums: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> January**
- **Health Visitor Appointments have been booked for parents of pre school children who requested one on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January. Please remember to bring your child's red book.**
- **The photographer will be back in school on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February to take class photos. If your child missed their individual photograph in October they can have it taken on this day also.**
- **Half Term Holidays: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February  
Back to school - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

## ***CHINESE NEW YEAR***

2023 is the Year of the 'Rabbit' and the children will be learning about Chinese New Year by participating in traditional Chinese celebrations.



## **Getting Ready to Learn**

We are pleased that our application for the '**Getting Ready to Learn**' Programme has been approved. Please keep an eye on Seesaw over the next few weeks as we share more information with you about this programme.

You can find out more information by visiting the GRTL website

<https://www.gettingreadytolearn.co.uk>

# RHYMES

For the next six weeks our learning will be focusing on the winter season and polar habitats.

## 1. Snow Flakes

Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Dance around.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Touch the ground.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Soft and white.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Snowball fight!  
Snowflakes. Snowflakes  
In the air.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Everywhere!



## 2. Polar Bear

Polar bear, polar bear, where will you sleep?  
I will sleep in my cave until I am ready to eat!  
Polar bear, polar bear, what will you eat?  
I will eat a big seal for my morning treat!!



## 3. Little Snowman

A funny little snowman had a carrot nose  
Along came a rabbit and what do you suppose?  
That funny little bunny looking for his lunch  
Ate the snowman's carrot nose,  
Nibble, nibble, crunch.



## 4. Little Penguins (Tune: "I'm a Little Teapot")

I'm a little penguin in the snow,  
I slide on my tummy to and fro,  
I eat the fish from the deep, blue sea,  
I'm black and white as you can see.



## 5. It Is Snowing Tune: "Frere Jacques"

It is snowing, it is snowing,  
Falling down, falling down.  
Winter winds are blowing,  
Drifts are slowly growing,  
All around, all around.



## 6. Five Cheeky Robins

5 cheeky robins looking for a worm,  
One tried to catch one, but away it squirmed.  
Finally he caught it, yes it's true!  
So he flapped his wings and away he flew!  
4 cheeky robins ... etc.



## 7. Five Little Snowmen

5 little snowmen, 5 little snowmen,  
Ready to play, ready to play.  
The sun shone down on one of them,  
The sun shone down on one of them.  
And melted him away and melted him away!  
4 Little Snowmen ... etc.



## Reminders:

- **Spare Clothes:** Please ensure your child's bag contains a complete change. ALL items should be clearly named.
- Please remember to bring a **warm coat** every day and ensure it has your child's name on it. (No scarves please)
- Please do not wear any jewellery to school.
- **FUND MONEY (£35) for Term 2** is now due. Please place the money in the small brown envelope provided and hand to a member of staff in your child's class by **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**. **Thank you**
- **STARTING PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
All children in their pre school year **MUST** be registered for starting Primary School in September 2023. The online portal opens on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon. All forms need to be completed by **FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> JANUARY at 12 noon**. Please do not hesitate to talk to us if you have any questions, or if you require support in completing the application form.
- **NURSERY ENROLMENT**  
If you, or any of your family/friends have a child who was born between 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 and 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 remember the online portal opens on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon and the closing date for applications for commencing Nursery School in Sept 2023 is:- **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 12 noon**. **Any forms after this date and time will be considered as 'Late Applications'**.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 94464151 or email [steplenursery@outlook.com](mailto:steplenursery@outlook.com) if you have any questions.

Kind regards  
Mrs Z Scarlett

