

What's happening in The Hive this week?

Week beginning: Dec 3rd 2018

It is hard to believe that December is here already, a very exciting month for the children and staff in nursery! The children will be using our 'Countdown to Christmas' board to count the days down until Christmas Eve. This is a great opportunity to learn about number recognition, big numbers and small numbers, and counting forwards and backwards.

We do not have an author of the month in December but focus on different Christmas books in the book area. We love to snuggle up on the sofa and read Christmas stories with the children. Our core book is "The First Christmas" which is the story of Christmas. The children will be listening to a variety of Christmas music.

The children have enjoyed learning five nursery rhymes as part of the world nursery rhyme challenge. As this has been so positive the children will be learning five Christmas songs and sharing them with you at the end of term.

At family times the children will have special Christmas boxes with Christmas activities to provoke discussion in their family groups. There are a range of activities including a Christmas Kim's game, listening games, describing games and Christmas objects to explore and talk about.

We were very sad last Monday because one of our guinea girls called Lulu died. The children sang a song for her 'Twinkle twinkle bright new star, helps us remember who you are'. This promoted lots of discussion about Lello and how we need to look after her as she will be lonely without Lulu. The children drew and painted pictures for Lello to cheer her up.

The staff will be wearing Christmas jumpers throughout December.

Garden: the children will be decorating the trees in the garden with ribbons.

They will be thinking of ways to feed the birds as the weather gets colder. They will be making bird feeders and ensuring the bird feeders are kept topped up each day.

Forest School: please come and join our special Christmas celebrations in the forest which are taking place over the next two weeks..

This is a very special time with the children and Sue and Dawn have planned some exciting activities for the children.

Ask your child's key person which is your Christmas celebration day.

What can you do at home to support your child's learning! Snuggle up on the sofa and share a Christmas story with your child.