

# What's happening in The Hive this week?

Week beginning: Dec 10th 2018

The staff and children are enjoying the Christmas activities. The children are learning five new Christmas rhymes which we sing when we are counting down to Christmas. One of their favourite rhymes is 'I'm a little reindeer, ready to fly, I'll pull Santa's sleigh up in the sky. Christmas is here we can't be late, all the children cannot wait.'

This has provoked an interest in reindeer and we will be researching reindeer next week and finding out facts about them. Did you know their noses are especially designed to warm the air before it gets to their lungs? We will be learning the sign for reindeer (and other Christmas words too) They will be looking at pictures of reindeer and drawing and painting them

The children will be listening to the Christmas story. We will be sharing the nativity figures with them as well

At family time the children are having special Christmas box activities which support their communication and language development. They are playing Christmas memory games, feely games and spending time looking at special Christmas resources.

The children will be learning how to use sellotape this week as well as how to use scissors. The children will be wrapping presents in the fix it area and will be writing labels for their presents.

The children are looking at Christmas cards and making their own cards as well as their own envelopes.

The Christmas party is next week, we would be grateful for donations of party food. Please sign the list in the entrance.

**Garden:** we have decided not to decorate the trees in the garden with tinsel this year to keep our birds safe. Instead we will use Christmas coloured ribbon.

The children will dress as Santa and be carrying presents in sacks on the trolleys to share with their friends

**Forest School:** Christmas celebrations in the forest continue this week. Don't forget your wellies as it is very muddy after all the rain

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

Thank you for those of you who attended last week.

**What can you do at home to support your child's learning!** Bring a reindeer fact to nursery for our reindeer wall!