




“With Christ in our hearts, together we grow.”

Nursery Parent Planning Week Beginning 3rd December 2018

Religious Education	Nursery Christmas Concert	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Notes
<p>Our new topic in RE is Advent. We will be talking about Christmas being a celebration of Jesus's birthday.</p> <p>The children will be designing their own Christmas cards next week. We will encourage the children to think about what materials they would like to use and teach them some new drawing skills such as drawing a snowman using circles or drawing a star using straight lines. We like the children to create a unique design that is meaningful to them so all the cards will look different. Please remember your child has spent a long time making your card and have really thought about their design.</p> 	<p>We would love to welcome you to attend the Nursery children's Christmas concert on 5th December 2018.</p> <p>There will be two performances starting promptly at 11am and 2.30pm</p> <p>The performances will be held in the classroom as it is a familiar place for the children. Each child has made their own decoration at school for our class tree. You will get the opportunity to see them hang theirs up. Once the tree has been decorated we will turn the lights on and sing some more songs. It will last approximately 30 minutes.</p>	<p>We will be listening to the story of The Jolly Christmas Postman next week. The children will be thinking of others who may not be as lucky as us at Christmas time. We will be talking about the importance of being kind, thankful and thoughtful towards others. We will talk about sharing and being grateful for everyone and everything we have in our lives.</p> <p>The children will be making a poster of some presents that they think other children would like who don't have toys or games. They will put it in an envelope and post it in our small classroom post box. We will be waiting to see if anyone replies to them!</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Nursery Christmas Concert 5th December 2018 at 11am and 2.30pm</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Please can all uniform and shoes be named.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If your child has borrowed nursery clothes please can you remember to return them to us as we are very low on spares.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Rhyme bags and story bags will be given out on Friday and need to be returned by Wednesday. Please remember they are to be used with an adult.</p>
Maths	Expressive Arts and Design	Playing and exploring What adults can do:	The importance of routine
<p>At last the children can start their Advent calendars!</p> <p>Nursery will have their own Advent calendar and it will help children to recognise numbers. Each day there will be an important message delivered about our values and morals such as being kind with our hands or saying please and thank you.</p> <p>The children will be exploring different types of calendars such as advent calendars, diaries and wall calendars. They can think about activities they would like to plan during child initiated learning time and draw it on their calendar.</p> <p><i>At home: look at dates in your diary or calendar and talk about what you might have planned on specific dates.</i></p>	<p>The children will be helping to decorate the classroom ready for Wednesday's concert. They will be wrapping junk modelling and we will pretend they are presents under our class tree. They will have the opportunity to create artwork to be displayed and make Christmas paper chains.</p> <p><i>At home: Get the children to help you wrap any presents of gifts. It is a great way to practise their scissor skills. They could even wrap junk modelling at home with newspaper.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Play with your child. Encourage them to explore, and show your own interest in discovering new things. •Help your child as needed to do what they are trying to do, without taking over or directing. •Encourage your child to try new activities and to judge risks for themselves. Be sure to support your child's confidence with words and body language. •Pay attention to how your child engages in activities -- the challenges faced, the effort, thought, learning and enjoyment. •Talk about how you and your child get better at things through effort and practice, and what we all can learn when things go wrong. 	<p>At this time of year it is important to keep a structure and routine to the day and that behaviour expectations remain the same. We will be talking to the children about their feelings of excitement, hope and love for friends and family.</p> <p><i>At home: Over the next couple of weeks try to keep your child's routine the same as usual. The added excitement of Christmas, on top of the tiredness of a long term, can sometimes lead to some challenging behaviour.</i></p>