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Puxi, Shanghai

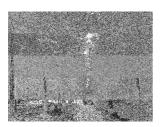


## Weekly Parent Information Newsletter – Nursery 24 November 14

### Important Dates and Events

- **Christmas Fair**--- It will take place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 11am to 3pm in the Primary school. Come and enjoy seasonal games, food and fun for the family!
- Nursery Christmas Show ---It will take place on Wednesday 10 December from 9:3010:30am in Stage One. All parents are welcome! Please let your child's class teacher know
  if your child will not be here to take part in the Christmas Show.
- Nursery Christmas Party ---It will be held on Thursday 11 December from 9:15-10:15 am.
   Please drop children off in class as normal. Children are invited to wear party clothes on this day. All parents are invited. We hope to see you all there!

## Themed Learning - Cold, Wintry Weather



The weather is getting colder and winter is finally here! We will continue our theme of weather by building on the work we have done, with a main focus on cold, wintry weather.

There will be opportunities for the children to role play in our Igloo role play area, to build houses for little animals to keep them warm, to look at and discuss pictures of winter activities and lead into

discussions about the things we have done in our own experiences. We are all very excited about our Christmas show and we will start practicing our Christmas songs. Why not try to practice at home? All the songs can be found on YouTube.

- Jingle bells
- We wish you a merry Christmas
- Little snowflake
- Santa Claus is coming to town
- When Santa Claus got stuck up the Chimney
- Twinkle Twinkle.

### Communication, Language and Literacy

We will look at and discuss different pictures of activities which people do during the winter and summer months. The children will then be encouraged to draw their own pictures of their favourite summer and winter activity. What do you like to do in winter? Is there snow where you come from? If not what can you do in winter in your country?

Key Vocabulary: winter, summer, activity

#### **Mathematics**

We will be using the images of winter to compare and order the size of different objects. Using comparative language we will have a go at sizing, encouraging the children to use the new language learned. You can do this at home to. Who is the tallest in your family? Who is the smallest? When travelling around the city try and spot all the big towers!

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Key Vocabulary: tall, short, small, smaller than, smallest, big, bigger than, biggest.

#### **Phonics**

We will be continuing our phonics program, practising a range of skills, including listening to different sounds, remembering and identifying sounds, including initial sounds of words, and sound discrimination. One of our favourite games that we will play is Mrs brownings box using bells, instruments and different household objects to match sounds. These games will be alongside our other phonics provision within the classroom.

#### Mandarin

Please let us know if you have any comments, questions or concerns.

Thank you for your support.

The Nursery Team.