



Countryside Day Nursery Newsletter January 2021

Wow, what a lovely last few weeks in December!



Can I just remind all parents that if your child displays any Covid symptoms during the Christmas break and you access a Covid test, please can you let me the test results.

At present I cannot access the Nursery emails at home, however, I will be on the Nursery emergency phone number 24 hours a day. Please do text me your message and I will get back to you. The Nursery emergency phone number is 07719 936140. Thank you. Grace

Baby Fearne has arrived!!



Finally we have some lovely news to announce at the end of this terrible year!! Zoe (Big Squirrels) finished work on 3rd December for her maternity leave and that weekend lo and behold little Fearne was born.

Fearne arrived at 33 weeks and is doing incredibly well. Therefore, we welcome into the world...

Fearne Olivia Williams, born 02:34 a:m Saturday the 5th December, weighing 4lb 13.

We would all like to pass on our sincere congratulations to Zoe, Jack, and Fearne's big brother Frankie. We just cannot wait to meet Fearne in the New Year and when we are safe to do so.

Ladybirds Learning Activities in December



Having fun exploring the sensory tray.



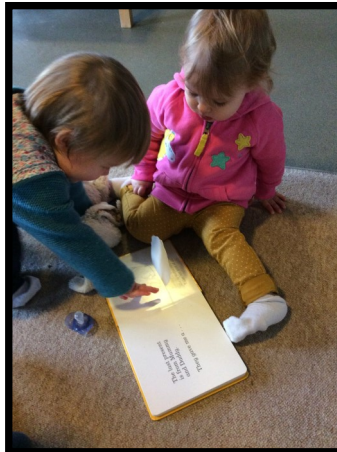
Showing good concentration hooking the rings on.



Painting Christmas Tree decorations.



Exploring with the sounds the balls make on the tambourine.



Enjoying looking at the flip flap book together.



Row, row, row the boat.



This box makes a great den!



Decorating the tree.



Playing some tunes.

Hedgehogs Learning Activities in December



Playing with our new train track!



Helping to move the chickens into their new house and giving them a cuddle too!



Drawing Snowmen.



Enjoying the Builders roll play.



The children have been working hard to create these amazing wintery displays.



Little Squirrels Learning Activities in December



Family portraits.



Gingerbread people painting.



Frosty the snowman.



Number recognition.



Christmas paper chains.



Wintery sensory tray!



Little Squirrels Christmas choir.



Making Snowmen biscuits.



Working together to complete the puzzle.



Exploring our new resources.



Making and enjoying a hot chocolate.

Big Squirrels Learning Activities in December



Creating Rudolf with our handprints.



Henry practising his pencil control skills.



Enjoying a muddy winter walk.



Fenella making Hannukah Menorah.



Lily decorating her Menorah.



Look how we can climb.



Mixing colours on ice.



Plenty of Christmas art and craft.



We made sheep masks to practise the Nativity story.



We used small world toys in our pretend snow.

Thank you to our parents

Thank you Finlay



Thank you to Finlay's parents who very kindly donated some books

Thank you Hattie

Thank you to Hattie's parents for kindly donating some mini logs for the children to decorate to hang on their Christmas trees.



Thank you Rae



Thank you to Rae's parents for kindly donating some spare clothes. These are always useful and we are extremely grateful. Thank you.

Thank you Robyn



Thank you to Robyn's parents for kindly donating Robyn's welly boots which she has grown out of for the Hedgehog room. These will be well used and thank you so much for thinking of us.

Christmas Lunch at Countryside

On Wednesday 23rd December we thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas lunch cooked by Kay.

We pulled our Christmas Crackers, wore our crowns and listened to some of our favourite Christmas songs.



Hedgehog Parent Days

This month will be Hedgehog Parent Days. (January)

If you would like to discuss with your child's key worker how they are getting along, please email me at info@countysidedaynursery.co.uk and I will ask Mandy or Tom to arrange a telephone consultation with you.

Alternatively, please message the Hedgehog staff through Tapestry and they will then arrange a convenient time with you via this method.

Magic Moments

Please let us know if your child has done something exciting at home and we will celebrate it here with a Wow Certificate! It is really wonderful to see our children taking steps forward in their learning and development and they also love sharing their certificates with their friends during Circle Time.

Ladybirds: Congratulations to **Oscar** for coming into Nursery with no tears. Well done to **Ned** for using lots of new words. Congratulations to **Leo** for beginning to crawl. Well done to **Beatrix** for starting to walk. Congratulations to **Joseph** for coming into Nursery so enthusiastically and well done to all our new settlers for settling in so well.

Hedgehogs: Congratulations to **Christian** for wearing big boy pants and well done to **Arlo** for sleeping in a big boys bed.

Big Squirrels: Well done to Lily for showing care and concern for a friend.

We are so proud of you all
A very big congratulations to all you superstars!

Children In Need

Thank you to everyone who took part in the sponsored sessions throughout each room this year. The winner is as follows: **Most Sponsors** goes to **Finn H** with 22 sponsors and **Most Money Raised** also goes to **Finn H** raising **£148** Congratulations to you.

Adding up all the money raised between the sponsors, on the day we raised a fantastic **£423.80** a huge thank you to everyone who donated to this very worthy cause!

And Finally...

On behalf of all the staff at Nursery I would like to thank you very much for all your kind thoughts, gifts and best wishes we received at Christmas. It was very generous of you and we are very grateful for your generosity. Thank you!

Also as the weather may be wet, frosty and icy in the New Year can we just remind parents to take care when driving into the Nursery car park - although we try and take precautions with water and ice, driving slowly in and out of Nursery is essential.

And very finally, on behalf of all the staff at Nursery and myself, I would just like to thank you for all of your support during a very difficult and challenging year and we would like to wish you all a very Happy and Healthy New Year!

Happy New Year!