

# Waringstown P.S. Nursery News - January 2018

## Happy New Year!

We welcome the children back to Nursery school after the Christmas holidays and hope they are well rested and ready for a new term of exciting indoor and outdoor experiences! This month we will be talking about and learning about

- Ice and frost
- Cold colours 
- Snowmen
- Animals who live in cold countries

As the children have been at home for two weeks, we will also take time to learn again the routines of the classroom- snack, toilet, tidying up and remind each other of the class rules.

## Recycling



We would really appreciate if you have any Christmas cards and Roses sweet wrappers from the holidays which could be recycled if you send them in to the Nursery. We will put them to good use in our creative area. Thank you!

## Students on Placement

In the Nursery we have a number of Students on Placement - **Megan Auld** helps us on Mondays and Fridays and **Lauren Usher** will be on placement from Stranmillis University between 15 Jan – 26 Jan - working alongside the Nursery staff and supporting our children.

**PLEASE SEND £12 NURSERY FUND MONEY FOR JANUARY- THANK YOU!**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY-

**Wed 10 Jan at 12noon is the deadline for Primary 1 and Nursery forms to be submitted**

**Tues 6 Feb- Thurs 8 Feb - half term parent interviews (please note the Nursery Unit will close at 11am to facilitate these)**

**Fri 9 Feb Nursery closes at 11am for the Mid-Term break**

**Mon 12 - Fri 16 February - half term holiday for all children**



## PARKING

We respectfully remind everyone that the Windsor Hill entrance is pedestrian only for those children and parents who live in the development. Please do not park on the footpath or particularly across any resident's driveways. We appreciate your co-operation with this matter.



## January Birthdays!

Happy birthday this month to Isaac and Maisie! We celebrate birthdays on the **Friday following your child's birthday**. Look out for your child's photograph on our birthday board.

## Whoops A Daisy DVDs

A Dvd is now available to order and purchase of our Christmas Nursery Nativity Whoops a Daisy Angel. Each copy **costs £5** – if you wish to purchase one please send your money in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name and how many copies you would like.

## Warm clothes

Please remember to send a warm coat, a scarf, hat and gloves for your child. We do spend time playing outside every day, even in the cold and rain, so we would appreciate if your child is well prepared! If it is very wet we have waterproof coats and trousers for the children in the class. Our children are hoping for some snow this month!



## Skills we are learning in Nursery...LISTENING SKILLS



*We're always asking the children in Nursery to listen, but they don't always know how to do it. Like any other skill – like holding a pencil or counting, it can be taught and developed through demonstration and practice. In school we use pictures to help the children listen with the 3 key behaviours: Being still, looking at the person who is talking and thinking about what the other person has said. It is important for adults to demonstrate good listening at home as well – **making eye contact with their child and taking time to fully listen and concentrate.** Praise your child when they show any of the key behaviours to encourage good listening!*