

Bessemer Primary School Newsletter



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Our Week

We have continued to get into the festive spirit and had a fun week carrying out a range of Christmas activities. We have continued reading our special Christmas stories delivered by Santa.

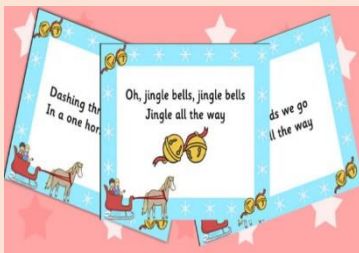
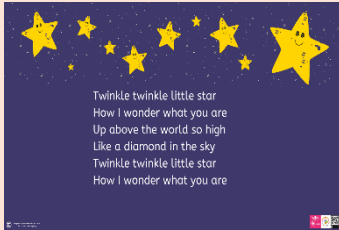
We held our Christmas Carols performance for our Parents/Carers last Friday which was a great success, the children performed the songs so beautifully.

We crowned the week by having a Winter Party where we played fun games including musical statues and pass the parcel which was very exciting for us all. We also had a visit from Santa, who delivered special presents to both Nursery Classes.

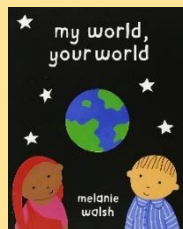
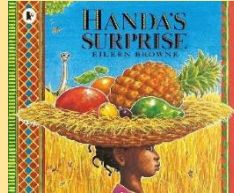
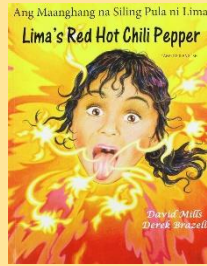
It has been a great week in Nursery and we wish you all a Happy Holidays.



Songs of the Week



Books this Half-Term



Key Vocabulary

This week we have been learning about our Christmas. This is the vocabulary that we have been teaching and using with the children. Please continue using this vocabulary at home with your child.

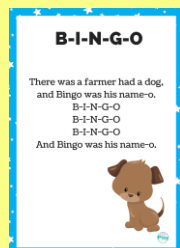
**Christmas, Santa
Presents, Christmas Tree
Decorations
Father Christmas
Family, Food**

Listening & Attention - Body Percussion

This week we have been learning about using different parts of our bodies to make various sounds and rhythms.

Home Challenge!

Can you sing these clapping songs and rhymes at home with your grown up?



Things to remember...

Dates to remember

- **First Day of Term** - Tuesday 9th January 2024.

Core Books

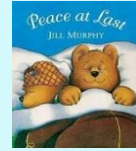
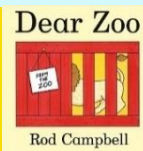
In order to support our emergent readers in Nursery we use a core book scheme.

Nursery will have four core books that will be read throughout the year on a regular basis so that the children are able to retell the story themselves, even though they will not be able to read the words. This builds the children's confidence in reading and allows them to see themselves as a reader. It also supports their storytelling, speaking and their understanding.

There will be numerous copies of these core books in the setting, along with the rest of the high-quality texts on offer, and there will be opportunities for the children to take it in turns to take a copy home with them. If you have access to a library or are able to visit a bookshop/ 2nd hand book shop, such as Oxfam on Half Moon Lane, it is also a nice idea to have these books at home to expose your child to these books further. The core books have been chosen to reflect the children's interests, develop specific skills and support our focus on diversity and challenging stereotypes.

The core books chosen for Nursery:

- *Oi Frog* by Kes Gray & Jim Field
- *Dear Zoo* by Rod Campbell
- *Peace at Last* by Jill Murphy
- *We're Going to Find a Monster* by Malorie Blackman & Dapo Adeola



Many thanks,
The Nursery Team

Ladybird - Olivia Howard & Nekay Lewin

Butterfly - Anastasia Owusu, Jodie Speer & Samantha Baker

Jaci Doherty working throughout both classrooms

