

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had such a brilliant half term leading up to Christmas. We have loved making Nursery sparkle with our beautiful decorations. Our Nursery Sing and Nativity was a real success, and the children made us so proud with their lovely singing and amazing dance moves. It was so lovely to see so many parents/carers there.

We also loved our pantomime performance of 'The Clumsiest Christmas Elf'. The children were laughing, dancing and cheering. The magic of Christmas was in the air. Nursery amazed us all with their super listening skills.

The children have enjoyed our PE sessions over the past term. We played games to encourage following instructions and had a go at balancing on the gymnastics apparatus. The children have walked through school so sensibly, and the staff around school always comment on their big smiles and lovely attitudes.

I would like to thank all our adults for our support this term, the children have made lots of progress and we are all super excited to welcome you back in the new year.

We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy new year!

The Nursery team.

Staff:

Early Years Lead: Mrs Lightfoot

Teachers: Miss O'Boyle, Miss Cass (Maternity cover from Jan)

Learning Support Assistants:
Miss Naylor and Mrs Barrett



Information for Parents and Carers

Templenewsam Halton
Primary School
Nursery Class Brochure
Spring 1

How you can support your child at home

Communication and Language

Understand a question or instruction that has two parts

Can you set your child fun challenges:

Find a red sock and put it on your hand.

Jump up and down, then touch your toes.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Establish their sense of self

What is your favourite colour? Name everybody in your family.

Who is the tallest, you or your friend?

Being aware of what to wear in colder weather

Here is a link to a fun online game. The children have to dress the character for different seasons.

[Dress for the Season | Everyday Learning | PBS Learning Media](#)

Getting dressed and undressed

Encourage children to fasten their own coats and put on their socks and shoes independently.

Physical Development

Fine Motor Skills- This half term we will have a 'scissor skills' focus. We will also be taking part in 'dough disco'. Try typing this into YouTube and have a go at home!

Gross Motor Skills- Encourage your child to use cutlery when eating meals. Have a go at making an obstacle course in your garden including hopping, galloping, jumping, skipping, throwing and catching.



What are we learning this term?

Next half term our topic is 'Winter'. Here are some key texts that we will be reading over the half term:

- Kipper's snowy day
- Polar Bear, Polar Bear
- One Snowy Night

It would be fantastic if you could look at these books with your child. You could watch them together on YouTube or visit the library to see if you can hunt them down to take home.

Important dates

We will continue to do PE every **Wednesday**. Please could you ensure that children wear their PE kit to school (including footwear that children can fasten independently)

Please ensure that all of your children's items are clearly labelled. Including water bottles, a sharpie works well!

For concerns or queries relating to your child's learning, your first point of contact is one of the nursery class teachers. The easiest method is to speak to one of us at the end of the school day. However, you can also contact us via the below email address: EYFS@tnhps.rklt.co.uk

Other concerns relating to absence, school uniform, lunches etc. should be directed to the school office.

