



## Jolly Rodgers Wobblies Newsletter December 2023

### **THIS MONTH'S THEME IS 'WHAT DO WE CELEBRATE'**

Our learning through play will continue to progress throughout our monthly activities. The children will continue to build on new skills daily, please encourage these at home.

### **THIS MONTH'S SONG'S ☺**

Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer  
When Santa got stuck up the chimney  
Frosty the Snowman  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
Dominic the Donkey  
Twinkle twinkle little star  
Oh Christmas Tree  
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas..  
We wish you a merry Christmas  
And everyone's favourite...*Jingle Bells*



## **NUMBERS**

Each day we encourage the children with counting. Counting toys & books and during songs & rhymes and this month counting our Christmas trees and all our decorations.

## **THIS MONTH'S COLOUR – RED**

Our individual sand / foil tray's will be filled with 'all things Christmas' such as baubles, toys, and jingle bells.

We will be having lots of merry messy fun in our sensory trays with glittery shaving foam snow, Santa's belly jelly, Christmas custard, red play dough with Christmas Cookie Cutters and sprinkles, Christmas pasta and much more.

We will be baking yummy shortbread and making snowmen top hats.

## **THIS MONTH'S ARTS (we will send home children's work for you to display)**

We will be using lots of materials – cotton wool, felt foam, tissue paper, glitter, paper plates etc. to make lots of Christmas artwork and decorations such as Christmas Trees, baubles, angels, bells, snowflakes, Santa's and snowmen, footprint holly, handprint stockings, handprint wreath and glittery baubles, handprint reindeers, clay tree decorations, Santa, and Christmas Trees. We will be making our own Christmas Tree recycling cardboard boxes and the children will be helping to decorate the boxes and making their own decorations to display on the tree.



## **THIS MONTH'S CIRCLE TIME**

Within wobbles we will use "Circle Time" to read stories and sing etc to the children to develop each child's love of books and language and knowledge. Children can bring along their favourite Christmas story book for circle time.

Our stories this month will include the following topics:

A Christmas Carol

The Nutcracker

The First Christmas

A letter to Santa

'Twas the night before Christmas

Santa's Christmas Munch

5 Christmas Penguins  
Hide & seek Reindeer  
Babies first Christmas



Tuff trays will be filled with empty egg cartons, and we will be practising our gross motor skills by using pinchers to lift Christmas baubles and put them into the egg cartons. We will be exploring a winter wonderland with fluffy snow & polar bears. We will be decorating a 'shaving foam' Christmas Tree using bright decorations and lots more messy, fun activities.

### **THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAY'S**

Each month we may have a birthday celebration; if you wish you may send a cake/or healthy option to celebrate during break. (All Cakes must be nut free).

Happy birthday:

Eric 🤗  
Ada  
Elaine  
Martin



### **PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES**

We will be going for winter walks, weather depending, to look at how winter has changed the trees and crossing our fingers (?) for the first snow of the year. ☺ Please make sure you provide a warm coat, hat, gloves and scarves every day now that the cold weather is here. We will continue to develop our outside activities and investigating in Fairyland forest.

We are enjoying our 'Disco Friday's' with our coloured lights, disco ball, and



Christmas tunes & dance moves!!

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Can we ask that you please be extra cautious when driving around the car park area and always be aware of adults and children. We are sure you can appreciate that there are a lot of children within the nursery being collected at different times and it can be busy. Please always be attentive of this. Can we please remind you not to block the area where nursery vehicles are parked. This must be kept clear at all times so the vehicles can get in and out and we can safely off load the children. Thank you.

## CHILDREN IN NEED

Just a little thank you for your support on our PJ Day. Total amount raised was £340.00!!! THANK YOU!!

***Santa Claus is coming to Jolly Rodgers! 😊 We will be transforming our cabin into a magical Christmas Grotto in preparation for our visit from Santa himself. Santa will deliver presents to the children. Don't worry if your child is absent on the day as Santa will be leaving a gift for them to take home on a day when they are in nursery. Jingle all the way!!***



We will be having lots of Christmas fun throughout the month of December with lots of music, treats and games! 😊



We have always been very appreciative of your kindness and generosity at Christmas time and even more so throughout this year, but we ask that you would consider making a voluntary contribution to charity or a food bank as an alternative to providing Christmas gifts.

We are genuinely appreciative of your thoughtfulness but, really to us, our thanks is having the pleasure of spending time with all your little treasures and having the privilege of watching each of them grow in independence, personality and 'wisdom' 😊 😊

Staff will be getting into the festivities by wearing Christmas Jumpers every Friday. We can't wait to see all your lovely jumpers/dresses/shirts/headbands etc.....!! 😊 😊



### **CHRISTMAS EVE – EVE – EVE (FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup>)**

Come along to nursery in your Christmas PJ's. Everyone will be full of Christmas spirit and fun, so we are going to have a very chilling PJ Day!!



### **CHRISTMAS CLOSURE**

Nursery will be closed from **MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** and will re-open again on **TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> JANUARY 2024**.

**And finally: May we take this opportunity to thank you all once again for your continual support throughout this year and to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.**

Thank you – from all in Wobblies.

