

# NEWSLETTER

## for Blackwell First School- Nursery



We hope you all had a lovely half term break. It was such a long half term and the children did so well in settling into routines of their new nursery life. The next half term is by far the most exciting with the approach of Christmas! This half term our topics are: Best Books (Bear stories) and Christmas. The children are welcome to bring in Bear stories from home to help support our learning.

### LAST TERM'S LEARNING



As part of our Autumn topic, we headed over the road to the BIG children's Forest School with our Red class friends. We enjoyed climbing, collecting and some real fire circle fun. Thank you for all the Autumn finds you sent in to help us learn.

### DOUBLE UP

With the season changing from Autumn to Winter in the coming months, a reminder of clothing is needed. Please dress the children daily with the clothes that you would if you were taking them on a weekend walk. Two layers all over the body is usually plenty, with a **warm** coat and **warm** hat. If they can wear their hat on arrival (rather than in their bag) this makes it easy for them to find as they pop it by their shoes in the rack.

### INVOICES

The invoices for the Autumn Term 2024 will be raised once the whole term is completed and so will be coming out to you in January 2025. With so many changes to the children's days, pick up times and additional days - we have learnt this is the easiest way. This invoice will be for any lunches attended, fruit/vegetable snacks (two per day) and any additional hours attended that aren't covered by your "funded" hours.

### DOUGH DISCO

Dough Disco is exercise for the arms, wrists, hands and fingers to improve fine motor control needed for handwriting in BIG school. Please send those disco song choices in so everybody gets a turn - we all love a dough disco! All song choices considered.

### HAPPY TO CHAT

It was lovely to chat to all of you at Parent Consultations before half term. It is always a good opportunity to catch up and find out more about what they are like at home. If you do have any questions, queries or concerns (however small!), please do let us know.

**Mrs Mander, Mrs Allen, Mrs Franklin and Miss Kuriger**

### ALL THINGS CHRISTMAS

Here are some key bits of information and dates that you need to know.

#### **Christmas Cards**

Our very own little elves will be creating personal Christmas cards for you to purchase for family and friends. An order form will be coming out in bags.

#### **Christmas Story Night and Gift Fair**

Storynight is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 5.30-7.00pm. Children will return to school in their pyjamas (with a small teddy) to enjoy stories in the cabin, a drink/biscuit and a visit from Father Christmas. Parents are invited to the school hall for refreshments and a gift fair.

#### **Christmas Show**

We will be **filming** our Early Years Christmas show on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December in the morning. If you would like your little one to be in the whole school DVD, please send them in the for the morning.

We will be **performing** our Early Years Christmas show on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am (nursery only). Please send them at normal time (8.20-8.30am) and for non-Thursday children, they can be taken once the performance is finished.

#### **Christmas Lunch**

We will be enjoying our Christmas lunch on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. If your little one does not attend on this day, feel free to send them in to share this special occasion with their friends.

