

Moneymore Nursery Unit News

December

Theme: Christmas and Toys
Colour: Red, Green, Gold and Silver
Shape: Star



Miss Reid will be covering Mrs Leitch's maternity leave. She has been in and met the children and some parents during 'Stay and Play' She is really looking forward to progressing your child in their development and learning for the remainder of their nursery year.

Christmas Cards

Children may wish to send Christmas cards to their friends. A class symbol list will be sent home with your child. Please stick each child's symbol on the front of the envelope so that children can post their Christmas cards independently into the Christmas post box and then each day different children will post them independently into the appropriate tray.

Christmas cards can be brought to nursery from Monday 4th - Friday 15th December.



Christmas Dinner

Nursery Christmas Dinner will be served on Wednesday 13th December. We would encourage all children to wear their Christmas jumpers on this day.



Favourite Book Day

In Nursery we foster a love for books and reading in young children. To enhance your child's interest in books, we will be introducing favourite book day in Nursery. Each Friday we will be asking one child to bring in their favourite book from home to share with their friends. This will be read at story time. Please make sure that the stories are not too long and that your child is familiar with the story, as we will be asking them to talk about it. The children asked to bring in their favourite books this month are:

Friday 8th December: Brea

Friday 15th December: Cain



Toy Day

Throughout this month, we will be exploring the topic 'Toys'. Children will be encouraged to bring in their favourite toy on Tuesday 12th December.



Home Learning Links and Key Language

There will be no home learning links or key language sent home during December. Please spend this time going over your child's songs and words for the play, as well as, fun Christmas activities as a family.



Christmas at Moneymore Nursery

December is an exciting month at Moneymore Nursery. The children will be taking part in their first Christmas Nativity. We are really looking forward to this special event and have been practising very hard. We have been going over our songs and some words. Please take time to go over the songs (December Song Sheet) and words with your child in preparation for our Nativity.

Your child shouldn't need a costume as we have nativity costumes at nursery. However, if you have any spare Nativity costumes at home, please let me know.

Our First Nativity is on Wednesday 20th December at 10.30am in the primary school hall. There will be refreshments after the performance. Children will go home with you after this performance. Tickets will be £3 per adult and £1 per child.

Special Visitor

Santa Claus will be visiting on Friday 15th December at our Christmas Party. Your child can wear their own clothes on our Christmas Party Day. If you feel your child may be anxious please speak to me about this.



Christmas Holidays

Nursery finishes on Friday 22nd December at 11.30am and will reopen on Monday 8th January.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and thank you for your continued support!

Mission Christmas

Christmas is fast approaching and I'm sure many of you are ready to begin your Christmas shopping. This year, as a staff, we have decided to take part in 'Mission Christmas'. We really do appreciate the thoughtfulness and kindness expressed at Christmas time with Christmas gifts. However, we feel there are many little children, who are sick and underprivileged that need kindness and generosity expressed to them. Every year 'Mission Christmas Cash for Kids' brings magic into the lives of local children who are at risk of waking up to nothing on Christmas morning. It would be greatly appreciated if each child could bring in a small new and unwrapped gift for a little child or donation, instead of gifts for staff. We would encourage you to provide your child with the opportunity to choose a small gift and discuss with them the importance of this and their kindness. Gifts include teddies, small toys, colouring books, crayons etc.

Gifts can be left at Nursery from **Monday 4th December – Monday 11th December** (closing date).



Open Afternoons

All prospective pupils and parents are warmly invited to visit our school or nursery to view our facilities, meet the staff and talk to pupils.



Wednesday 6th
December

1.30 - 2.15pm

or

2.30 - 3.15pm

Please click on the link
below to book your place

[School Open
Afternoon Tickets](#)



Thursday 7th
December

12.30 - 1.00pm

or

1.30 - 2.00pm

Please click on the link
below to book your place

[Nursery Open
Afternoon Tickets](#)

If you are planning to attend, either of the open days, please book tickets through the Eventbrite link on the school website.

Parents portal for on-line applications available in January.



Happy 4th Birthday:

**Sam
Archie**

Christmas Trip

We will be going to 'The Playshack' in Cookstown Leisure Centre on Thursday 21st December.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27	28	29	30 PE	1 Favourite Book Day – Blake
4 Start bringing Christmas cards to nursery Mission Christmas begins	5	6 School Open Afternoon 1.30 – 2.15 2.45 – 3.30	7 Nursery Open Afternoon 12.30 – 1.00 1.30 – 2.00 Nursery children home at 11.45am (no dinner) PE	8 Jo-Jingles Christmas Special Favourite Book Day - Brea
11 Mission Christmas drop off deadline	12 Favourite Toy Day	13 Nursery Christmas Dinner Please wear Christmas Jumpers	14	15 Nursery Christmas Party (non-uniform) Santa Claus visits nursery Last day to post Christmas cards
18 Watch primary school performance	19 Perform Nativity to primary school	20 Nursery Christmas Nativity @10.30am – children will leave after performance	21 Nursery Trip to ‘The Playshack’	22 Nursery finishes for Christmas at 11.30am Non-uniform Christmas Movie Morning December Birthday Celebrations

Important Dates in December

