



Rainbow Stop Playgroup Newsletter

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December

Theme:

During the month of December, we will be covering lots of special Christmas activities, the children will be creating many beautiful crafts to take home. We will link our activities and story time to the Christmas nativity, as well as making our Santa lists and having lots of fun in our Christmas Post Office role play area and wrapping presents in Santa's magical toy factory.

Pre-School Education Programme:

The application process for the Pre-School Education Programme for September 2021-2022 school year will be open **from 11th January and closes (12 noon) 30th January**. This applies to children born between 2nd July 2020 and 1st July 2021. If you know of anyone who falls into this category and would like to send their child/ren to playgroup, please let them know.

These dates also apply to children applying for places in Primary One.

Christmas Raffle:

Thank you to everyone who has returned items for our hamper for our Christmas raffle. Could all prizes please be brought to the setting for Friday 1st December and all raffle tickets to be returned for Friday 15th December. Thank you for your continued support.

Closures:

Our last day before the Christmas holidays will be Friday 22nd December and we will reopen Thursday 4th January. Playgroup will finish at 11:30am for the morning session and 3pm for the afternoon session on Thursday 21st December.

Christmas Jumper Day:

On Thursday 21st December as it's our last day before Christmas we will be having a Christmas jumper Day and a Christmas party.

Stay & Play:

We look forward to welcoming all our parents to our stay and play sessions. We will be home a questionnaire to gain feedback if you could please fill this in and return it by Friday 15th December.

Santa's Grotto:

Our Santa's grotto will take place on Friday 1st December. Both groups will attend in the morning from 9:30am with parents welcome to join us from 11am. Session will finish at 12pm.

Fees:

Kind reminder for any outstanding fees to be paid as soon as possible covering up to December.

Health Visitor:

Health visitor questionnaires have been sent out; the health visitor will be holding meetings in the setting on Friday 8th December. Times will be allocated in due course to anyone who has requested a meeting.

Christmas Rhymes

Christmas Pudding

Christmas Pudding, Christmas Pudding (Make round shape with your hands)
Steaming hot, Steaming hot (Wiggle fingers to look like steam rising)
Sprinkle on the sugar, Sprinkle on the sugar (Sprinkle with your fingers)
Eat the lot! Eat the lot! (Move arms up and down miming eating)
Christmas Turkey, Christmas Turkey (Bend arms and flap elbows)
Steaming hot, Steaming hot (Wiggle fingers to look like steam rising)
Pour on lots of gravy, Pour on lots of gravy (Mime pouring a jug)
Eat the lot! Eat the lot (Move arms up and down miming eating)

When Santa Got Stuck Up the Chimney

When Santa got stuck up the chimney
He began to shout:
"You girls and boys won't get any toys
If you don't pull me out
My beard is black
There's soot on my sack
And my nose is tickly too!"
When Santa got stuck up the chimney
Atchoo! Atchoo! Atchoo!

Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer

Rudolph, the red nosed reindeer
Had a very shiny nose
And if you ever saw him
You would even say it glows
All of the other reindeer
Used to laugh and call him names
They never let poor Rudolph
Join in any reindeer games
Then one foggy Christmas eve
Santa came to say
"Rudolph with your nose so bright
Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"
Then all the reindeer love him
As they shouted out with glee
Rudolph the red nosed reindeer
You'll go down in history
You'll go down in history!

Jingle Bells

Jingle bells jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride
On a one horse open sleigh - Hey!
Jingle bells jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride
On a one horse open sleigh.

Twinkle Twinkle Christmas Star

Twinkle twinkle Christmas star
(Open and shut hands)
How I wonder what you are
Up above the world so high (Point up)
Like a diamond in the sky
(Make a diamond shape with your two hands)
Twinkle twinkle Christmas star
(Open and shut hands)
How I wonder what you are.