

### **Head of Pre-school and Nursery**

We are having lots of fun in class rehearsing the Christmas Nativity the children are amazing, it's going to be a lovely production.

Our topic will continue with the theme Christmas. We will be writing our letters to Father Christmas discussing how Santa knows what gift to leave them underneath the Christmas tree.

Learning Intentions linked to class topic:

- Explore ideas around the theme of giving and sharing.
- Look at traditions from around the world
- Manipulate materials to create a planned effect.

The letter sound for the week will be 'l'. We look forward to seeing your children's work and sharing their lovely creations at carpet time.

If you are supporting your children with handwriting, can you remember it's a capital letter first then all lower case, that's how they are being taught in class. We will be sending work home shortly to support handwriting skills.

Finally, if you need to apply for a school place the application will close on the 15th of January. You can apply online at [www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions), or you can ring for a paper copy and ask for Admission team on 02392-688008. Don't be late as this will affect your chances of a place at your preferred school.

Just a few gentle reminders, can you remember to send your children into school with their coat and gloves, we play outside daily, and the weather is getting colder. Remember to label all items of clothing to prevent coats or uniform being sent home with the wrong child.

We have the school photographer coming into school on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> of November just for the morning as this is our inset day and staff have training in the afternoon.

Mrs. Edwards Head of preschool & nursery