

F1 NEWSLETTER

Week beginning 8.12.25



Key Information

On the 8th and 9th our new class members that will be starting in January will be visiting for Stay and Plays! We will be speaking to the children before and will work together to make sure they feel welcome!

On the 9th we will be walking up to Cator Lane to watch the Year 3 and 4 Pantomime! (Oh yes we will!) Please make sure to complete the GDPR permissions form for local walks.

The office will be sending out Nativity tickets soon! We film our dress rehearsal for you to watch at home, this will be done in the morning on the 15th of December, if your child does not usually attend nursery but you would like them to be filmed you may bring them for an additional morning. If you would like your child to be filmed please confirm on the GDPR form via this link [Nursery Consents – Fill in form](#)

Message from the F1 Team

We've had a wonderful week in school! We have begun learning the story Stick Man, and the children are already enjoying the characters and joining in with the repeated parts. In Phonics, we've been working hard on listening carefully to different instrument sounds and practising controlled stopping, and everyone is showing great focus.

It was lovely to see so many of you at Carols in the Playground—thank you for coming and celebrating with us. We're really looking forward to seeing everyone at the festive events still to come!

From Miss Clarke, Miss Shepherd and Miss Carlin.



This week's learning

Phonics – This week we will work on listening for sounds all around us. We will read [The Shopping Basket by John Burningham](#) we will then guess what shopping is in Miss Clarke's shopping bag based on the sound.

Maths – This week we will be informally splitting 5 into parts and practicing our 1-1 counting.

Enquiry – Our enquiry question for the term is 'How are People Important?' This week continue our reading and learning of the Stick Man story and have a session focusing on important people if we are lost or in trouble.

Gross and Fine Motor – This week we will continue moving our bodies to music. This week we will move our bodies to tambourines with our steps, drums with skilling and wiggle like snakes to the sound of a guiro!

Whole school information

There is lots happening before the end of term. We have put together a list of dates and times so you can keep an eye on what is happening.

Message from Mr Wilkes

We have had a really festive week! A group of children did a wonderful performance at the Christingle service on Monday night where they represented the school with pride. It was great to see so many of you enjoy Carols in the Playground on Tuesday and we are really looking forward to the Christmas Fair on Friday. There is still lots to look forward to including visits to Christ Church, the Year 3 and 4 panto, the reception nativity, Christmas jumper day and dinner and a whole school assembly! We will all definitely be ready for Christmas when it comes!

We have a couple of staffing updates for you. Mrs Louise Day will be leaving us at the end of this term. She currently teaches in Year 3. We will be sad to see her go but we wish her all the best on her next adventure. We will keep the year 3 parents informed of the plans for January. We will also be welcoming 3 new members of staff in January. Mrs Emma Langon will be starting as the Inclusion Leader and Miss Julie Dormer and Miss Amy Bonser will be starting, working in the office across both sites.