

Just to say a very **Merry Christmas** and to give you some ideas and top tips for filling in those long, dark winter days.

1. Christmas Counting Challenge

- Count how many Christmas trees, stars, or baubles you can find at home.
 - Parents can hide small festive items for children to count.

2. Festive Art Challenge

- Draw or paint your favourite Christmas character (Santa, reindeer, snowman).
(Use recycled materials to make a Christmas decoration).

3. Story Time Challenge

- Read a Christmas story with your family and draw your favourite part.
(Encourage children to retell the story in their own words)

4. Shape Hunt Challenge

- Find objects around the house that look like Christmas shapes (circle = bauble, triangle = tree).

5. Baking Challenge

- Help an adult bake festive cookies or decorate a gingerbread man.
Talk about the shapes and colours you use

6. Sing & Move Challenge

- Learn a Christmas song and make up a dance to go with it.

7. Christmas Treasure Hunt

- Hide small festive items around the house and give clues.
(Great for developing problem-solving and listening skills).



Important Diary Dates and Information

We will be sending the wetsuits home for a spring clean could you please bring them back on Tuesday 6th January as we will be accessing the outdoor area.

Teacher Training Day - Monday, 5th January 2026.

Return to Nursery - Tuesday, 6th January 2026.

January 2026 Drop-Off and Pick-Up Times

- Morning Session:
8:45 AM - 11:45 AM
- Afternoon Session:
12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
- Full Time- 8.45-3.30
- *End of day flexible pick-up between 3:15-3.30 PM is available. This is designed to support families collecting older siblings elsewhere on the school premises.*



Have a wonderful weekend

Take care,

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