

## Southridge First School Nursery Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Christmas Performance.

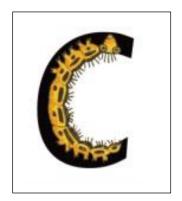
By the time you are reading this our Nursey and Reception children will have performed on stage for you and we hope you have enjoyed it. We have been incredibly impressed with their enthusiasm during practises and at how brave our youngest children have been to get

on stage and sing.

Well done little stars!

We have taken a picture of your little stars in their hats and will put pictures in drawers next week.

We have been learning about the phoneme /c/ and the sound it makes in words like carrot, clock, cup and cooker. It is a short, bouncy sound. We use the picture to help us remember this sound and the formation rhyme to help us write it: curl around the caterpillar.





In our maths groups this week we have been looking at the number rhyme to help us learn the number 8: draw a 's' and do not wait, when it's joined up you have an 8.

## Christmas Party Day

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December the children will finish the term with their Christmas Party. They can come to Nursery wearing their party clothes and we ask that each child brings their own small plate of party food with their name on it. Due to a number of allergies we ask that foods containing nuts are not included on children's plates.

There will be party games, craft and dancing!

This week we have provided lots of activities which help the children develop strength and control in their fingers. The children will need this strength to help them hold and control a pencil effectively as they draw and write. The children have access to many of these activities every day at Nursery and many of these could also be done at home. Some examples could include: playdough, painting with different tools e.g. cotton buds, sticks, forks; using scissor scoops to collect pompoms from the water; threading beads/pasta onto shoe laces or string; using tweezers to move small objects; hanging baubles on a miniature tree and so many more. Pinterest is a great site if you are looking for ideas. We have also been helping the children with their scissor skills. To help the children remember how to hold the scissors we use this rhyme: Fingers on the bottom, thumb on top, open the mouth go and chop, chop, chop.

## Can you help?

During the Spring term we will be looking at different jobs and in particular people who help us. The children love having visitors in Nursery and if you would be willing to come in and talk to the children about your job or hobby we would love to hear from you, please talk to a member of the Nursery Team.

## Dates for your Diary

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Nursery Christmas party and last day of school for Nursery children.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Nursery closed

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January - Teacher Training Day (Nursery closed)

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January - School reopens

Many thanks for your emails this week. Please continue to send anything for your child's learning journey to <a href="https://helen.mason@ntlp.org.uk">helen.mason@ntlp.org.uk</a> We especially like to hear your child's voice so please do include their comments in your emails.

Have a lovely weekend The Nursery Team.