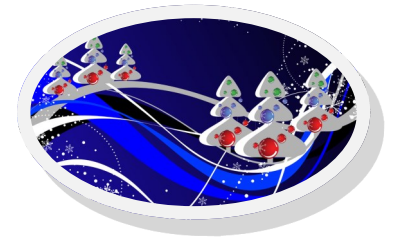




Highfield Nursery School



This term we have been focusing on the five senses. The children have had fun using their listening skills, identifying objects through touch and smell and tasting different foods. We have also been thinking about celebrations including our visit to the Temple for Diwali. The children have had great fun exploring light and dark, using the torches in the garden, exploring light and colour.

Christmas Party

There will be a party for the nursery children on Friday 18th December. There will be games, food, a children's entertainer and maybe a visit from Father Christmas! Parents and carers are welcome to join us for lots of fun and excitement. The session times are slightly different on that day, morning session is 9am-11am and the afternoon session is 1pm-3pm. Any questions regarding this please see keyworkers. If any families would like to donate any food for the party please sign up on the list in the cloakroom or see your child's keyworker.



Exciting activities
Making apple crumble
Tasting different foods
Exploring torches
Leaf printing
Exploring clay
Firework pictures
Diwali dancing
Smell paints
Nature hunt
Using tools



Visit to All Saints Church - Friday 11th December

Christmas is fast approaching and it has now become a Highfield tradition to visit All Saints Church on Midland Road around this time of year. We will have an opportunity to look around the church and find out more about the Christmas Story. The children will be singing some Christmas songs too.

We would love as many parents and carers as possible to join us for this special time. Please could you let your child's keyworker know if you can accompany your child.

Morning Children will visit at 9.30am -
leaving nursery at 9.00am.

Afternoon children will visit at 1.30pm -
leaving nursery at 1.00pm

If you would rather go straight to the church with your child on that day please let their key worker know.



Christmas Post

Some children and families like to send Christmas cards and the nursery will be having a Christmas Post-box. Look out for the post box in the cloakroom from 7th December. Please remember to put the child's name and keyworker group on the envelope to make these easier for Santa's helpers to sort!

Final Christmas post service will be Wednesday 16th December. You are welcome to pass cards onto families yourselves after this date but it is very difficult for nursery practitioners to



help you with this on Party day. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



Outdoor Play

We are very fortunate at Highfield to have a large outdoor area for the children to confirm their learning. It offers opportunities for the children to problem solve, experiment, explore, play cooperatively and learn. We hope that the garden will be open daily to the children whatever the weather! It will on occasions be wet and muddy and children will get messy!

Please support your child in this fantastic opportunity by dressing them in warm clothing and waterproofs. We have wellies and waterproof jackets and trousers available for the children to wear or they can bring their own. A spare set of clothes is always useful to have at nursery so your child can change themselves if necessary.

Please ensure your child has suitable hats and gloves, it can get very cold



Guide dog Visit.

We have a visit from a nursery Grandparent, Gena and her guide dog, Cathy on Tuesday 8th December. This will be a wonderful opportunity for children to find out about some of the challenges that visually impaired people have to overcome and the importance of working dogs. This will also support our theme all about the five senses. If anyone has any questions regarding this visit please speak to your child's key worker.



School Places - September 2016

It is really important that you apply for your school place before January 15th.

We have Angela from School Admissions NCC coming into nursery on:

Wednesday 9th December from 10.30am until 3.00pm



Angela is available to answer any questions you may have and to give advice about the application process.

Sweets/Birthdays

Birthdays are an exciting time for many whatever age you are - but especially so when you turn 4! At Highfield your child will have the opportunity to decorate a birthday cake on (or as near to their birthday as possible) with their keyworkers and friends.

I know many parents and children are eager to share this special time with sweets for their nursery friends but unfortunately we are not able to give out sweets to the children.

Thank you for your support.



Dates for your Diary

9th December - School Admissions 10.30am - 3.00pm

12th December - Visit to All Saints Church

18th December - Christmas Jumper Day

18th December - Christmas Party Day / Last Day of Term

5th January - Children return to Nursery

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