

Moneymore Nursery Unit News

December 2021



Theme: Christmas and Toys
Colour: Red, Green, Gold and Silver
Shape: Star

Mission Christmas Reminder

We thank-you for your kindness and generosity towards staff at Christmas time. However, this year we are gladly accepting new, small, unwrapped gifts that will support 'Cash for Kids – Mission Christmas'. Gifts include teddies, small toys, colouring books, crayons etc. Please leave gifts on the table provided in the cloakroom at front door (door will be left opened when collecting/dropping off children.) Gifts can be left at Nursery from **Monday 13th December – Friday 17th December** (closing date).



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Favourite Book Day

The children asked to bring in their favourite book this month are:
13th December – Ben
17th December – Benjamin



Christmas Dinner

Nursery Christmas Dinner will be served on Thursday 9th December. We would encourage all children to wear their Christmas headwear on this day e.g. Santa hat, reindeer antlers, Christmas hairband etc.



Christmas Cards

Children may wish to send Christmas cards to their friends. A class symbol list will be sent home with your child. Please stick each child's symbol on the front of the envelope so that children can post their Christmas cards independently into the Christmas post box and then each day different children will post them independently into the appropriate tray.

Christmas cards can be brought to nursery from Monday 13th - Friday 17th December.

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day is on Friday 10th December. On this day we would encourage children to wear their Christmas jumpers and own clothes. We would ask that children bring a donation of £1 for the NI Cancer Fund for Children.



Santa Dash

During the week Monday 13th – Friday 17th December, we will be taking part in our Santa Dash, around the primary school's playground, to see if we can reach The North Pole.

We would encourage all children to please bring in some Christmas headwear to wear and stay at nursery for this week.



Christmas at Moneymore Nursery

December is an exciting month at Moneymore Nursery. The children will be taking part in their first Christmas Nativity. Unfortunately we will not be able to perform in front of an audience but it will be recorded for parents to view virtually. We are really looking forward to this special event and have been practising very hard. We have been going over our songs and some words over the past few weeks. Please take time to go over the song words with your child in preparation for our Nativity.

Could all children please bring in a Christmas jumper, that can stay at Nursery, for our nativity on Monday 13th December. Some of our children will be dressing up in nativity costumes which will be provided but if you have any nativity costumes at home that you would not mind us using please also bring them in on Monday 13th December.

Sharing from the Start

The children really enjoyed partaking in our virtual circle time and 'All About Me' craft with 'Forever Friends' in Coalisland during November. This month we will be making and sending each other Christmas cards.



Home Learning Links and Key Language

There will be no home learning links or key language sent home during December. Please spend this time going over your child's song words for the play, as well as, fun Christmas activities as a family.



Christmas Holidays

Nursery finishes on Wednesday 22nd December at 11.15am and will reopen on Friday 7th January.

Finally we would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and thank you for your continued support!

Special Visitor

We will be having a virtual visit from Santa Claus this year. If you feel your child may be anxious please speak to me about this.



Open Day

Prospective Primary 1 pupils: Thursday 6th January – 1.30 – 4.00pm (one parent and one child)

Prospective Nursery pupils: Thursday 6th January – 10.00 – 12.30pm (one parent and one child)

If you are planning to attend, either of the open days, please phone the primary school office to book an appointment.

Parents portal for on-line applications available 10th – 28th January. Visit www.eani.net.org.uk to access the online application.

Please remember to apply for your child's preferred Primary School.

Toy Day

Throughout this month, we will be exploring the topic 'Toys'. Children will be encouraged to bring in their favourite toy on Thursday 16th December.



Happy 4th Birthday:

Isaac Hutchinson
Harry
Zoe



Mrs E Leitch
(Nursery Teacher)
Miss A Davis, Mrs C
Ferguson, Mrs D
Forsythe
(Nursery Assistants)

Important Dates in December

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Maths Week	2	3
6	7	8 Jo Jingles visits Nursery	9 Christmas Dinner Please wear some Christmas headwear	10 Christmas Jumper Day £1 donation to NI Cancer Fund for Children
13	14 Christmas Forest School Session	15 Virtual Shared Education Session	16 Favourite Toy Day <i>Please encourage your child to bring their favourite toy to Nursery</i>	17 December Birthday Celebrations Mission Christmas deadline
20 Christmas Party Day	21 Christmas Movie Day	22 Nursery finishes for Christmas at 11.15am Children may wear their own clothes on this day	23 Christmas Holidays – Nursery Closed	24 Christmas Holidays – Nursery Closed