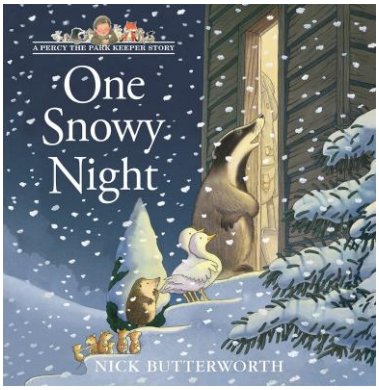
Winter



This week we will continue with our topic on Winter. We will be reading the book 'One Snowy Night' by Nick Butterworth.

Handy Hints to Help at Home

Literacy

In Literacy we will be continuing to focus on developing careful listening and questioning skills by listening to a variety of stories and information books. We will encourage children to join in and predict what might happen next. We will talk about the different animals, an think about why the animals are cold and how could they keep warm.

Ways you can help at home:

- Practise Christmas songs.
- Encourage your child to respond to and follow instructions.
- Encourage your child to ask questions with a variety of 'starters' e.g. who, what, where, why, how and then to listen carefully to the answer.
- Help your child to hold a pencil effectively, using a tripod grip, during mark making.

This Week's Nursery Rhyme

We will be starting to practise our Christmas songs for our class concert, which is on Wednesday 2nd December at 11am.

Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
Had a very shiny nose
And if you ever saw it
You would even say it glows
All of the other reindeer
Used to laugh and call him names
They never let poor Rudolph
Join in any reindeer games
Then one foggy Christmas Eve
Santa came to say
"Rudolph, with your nose so bright
Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"
Then how the reindeer loved him
As they shouted out with glee
"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
You'll go down in history"

Little Donkey

Little donkey, little donkey
On a dusty road
Got to keep on plodding onwards
With the precious load.
Been a long time little donkey
Thro' the winter's night.
Don't give up now little donkey
Bethlehem's in sight.

Ring out those bells tonight
Bethlehem, Bethlehem.
Follow the star tonight
Bethlehem, Bethlehem.

Little donkey, little donkey
Had a heavy day
Little donkey carry Mary
Safely on her way.

Maths

This week we will be continuing to focusing on numbers 1-3. We will make actions when saying counting words, such as, 1 jump, 2 star jumps and 3 claps.

Ways you can help at home:

- Play the game, Can you....? Can you ...do 1 jump? ...do 2 stamps? ...tap your head 3 times?
- Continue to provide opportunities for your child to count by rote, forwards and backwards.
- Provide opportunities for your child to count out groups of items e.g. "Can you get me 4 forks?" when laying the table.
- Use puzzles & games.

Expressive Arts & Design /Understanding the World

We will discuss the different signs of winter and will make salt dough snowflakes.

Dates for the diary

Thursday 26th November 9.15-10.15am- Decorations day
Friday 27th November (School closed) - Occasional Day
Wednesday 2nd December 11am - Christmas songs