

Convent of Mercy Nursery School Newsletter



December 2021

Nursery & P1 Applications for September 2022

Parents can apply for a Nursery or P1 place for September 2022 on the Education Authority website from 12 noon on Thursday 10th January until 12 noon on Friday 28th January.

Check out the Nursery & P1 Virtual Tour Information on the school website.

Please tell friends and neighbours to visit the school website if they have a Nursery aged child.

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

SCHOOL DINNERS WILL END ON TUESDAY 21st DECEMBER

School ends for all children on Wednesday 22nd December at 11.00 or 11.10am.

We reopen on Thursday 6th January 2022

Christmas Count Down

If you have an Alexa – if you ask it each day how many days are left until Christmas you will get the answer and a message from Santa.

On YouTube - 'Watch Santa live from the North Pole 2021'

December Topics

The themes for the month of December will be Christmas. The children will be learning about the Christmas story, where baby Jesus was born and who came to visit him. They will also be learning about the signs of Christmas and decorating the Nursery school.

Fun games to play in the car or when out walking – ask the children to count the Christmas trees and chat about the different lights they see.

Congratulations to
Erin Taggart & family on the birth
of baby Eoin



Trocaire Global Gift

As Trocaire is one of the schools
charities we will be making a
donation of £100 from funds
raised via the snack money.

Christmas Shows

As COVID-19 restrictions continue we are currently
recording a Christmas Show to share with you on
the school website before Christmas to enjoy with the
whole family.

Jumper Check

Please double check the name on your child's jumper, a
few names on the jumpers are difficult to read – please
relabel, a number have been misplaced & we can help
return them to the correct owner.

Thank you.

Once again we thank you for your continued support
during these unusual times and it is greatly appreciated.

The staff & Board of Governors of the
Convent of Mercy Nursery School would like to wish
you all a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Things to do!

Talking

- Talking about the Christmas story – the journey to Bethlehem. They couldn't use the car or the bus – they had to use a donkey to travel as it was a long long time ago. Can you look up images of what Bethlehem would have looked like?
- Talk to your child about your own childhood memories. Did you have any special traditions?
- Involve your child in the Christmas plans. Talk about the events leading up to Christmas – what do you need to prepare? How can they help?

Making

- Make simple Christmas decorations – lots of suggestions on the school Pinterest account.

Stories & Songs

- Visit your local library for Christmas stories.
- We will be adding Christmas stories to the Story Time section of the website.

Kitchen

- Make mince pies or Christmas cookies together. They will have lots of fun using the left over dough.
- Create a beautiful name card for the Christmas Day table.

Out & About

- When out & about – draw attention to the Christmas lights, decorations and shop displays. Which is their favourite & why?
- Count the Christmas trees & discuss the different colours.
- Write Christmas cards to your friends & neighbours – what numbers is on the doors you send or deliver them?

Check out CBeebies Present for the panto.