



# Next Steps @ St Johns



Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring

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## This week at Nursery . . .

17th November 2023

Last Friday the children learned about Remembrance Day, why we wear poppies and some of us wore red. We used tissue paper to create poppy pictures and watched a short CBeebies clip about the importance of the day.



This week we have started to talk about Christmas!! The children have been learning new songs and we have started making some festive decorations already.

Each year we ask families to provide a small named Christmas box (A shoe box size is perfect). This stays at the nursery and all the lovely festive crafts we make are stored in these for your child to bring home as a handmade gift from them! Please can you bring these in as soon as you can. Thank you.



The children have enjoyed playing games, learning to take turns with each other. A favourite game for the week was Christmas bingo where the children matched pictures of presents, trees and decorations.



### STAR OF THE WEEK

Eddie



Eddie has settled into his new nursery really well and is already making new friends.

**Well done!**





Winter has definitely arrived, and we have made the most of the changing weather. On days when it has been too wet we have enjoyed music and movement sessions, learning new dances and playing games. Other days we enjoyed the fun that the storms have provided, and made the most of the muddy puddles on the school field.



The wind had blown lots of leaves from the trees and we needed to sweep the playground. Luckily we have some helpful volunteers that were happy to help!



### **REMINDER:**

If you are hoping to claim 2 year old or 3 year old funding for the Spring term, please ensure you apply or renew prior to 31st December. We will shortly be asking you to complete a declaration form for this term to confirm the funded hours which you wish to claim.

### **Nursery Closure Dates**

Please note the following dates when the nursery will be closed:

Christmas: Monday 25th December - Wednesday 3rd January inclusive.  
Nursery will re-open on Thursday 4th January

Easter: Friday 29th March - Monday 8th April inclusive.  
Nursery will re-open on Tuesday 9th April.

Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday  
Monday 27th May: Bank Holiday

Summer Closure: 5th August - 16th August inclusive.  
Nursery will re-open on Monday 19th August.

26th August: Bank Holiday