

# Next Steps @ St Johns



Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring

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## This week at Nursery . . .



This week the children have really enjoyed exploring our new water wall in the playground. We have been busy tipping and pouring water, adding cars and balls, and watching as they drop down levels. The puddles which formed after this brought lots of fun too!!

Please can we ask that you provide lots of changes of clothes for your children, including t-shirts and socks.









#### **Lunchboxes**

Please can we request that when buying new lunchboxes for your children, where possible, can they have handles so that the children can carry them themselves. As we walk to the dinner hall each day holding a rope of hoops to ensure safety, the lunch bags which can be held one handed are preferable. This helps us to encourage the children to be more independent. Thank you for your support with this.

#### Christmas Cards

This week the children may have told you that we have been making Christmas cards! This may seem very early, but we send the designs off and these are turned into printed cards and gifts that you can purchase to give out to friends and family. When we receive the samples you can choose from a range of products. These make lovely gifts and also help to raise money for the school and nursery.

#### Parents' Evening

We will be holding a Parents' Evening on Friday 7th November. Slots will be available to book online to meet with your child's key person and discuss their progress at nursery. Please save the date and we will provide booking information nearer the time.



Elsie



for always being so helpful at nursery.

Well done!







#### **Reminders:**

Key workers have also started to screen children's speech and language development using the Wellcomm toolkit. This assesses children's understanding and the language that they use. If your child's key worker has any concerns regarding this, they will talk to you once the process is complete (within the next two weeks). Similarly, if you are at all concerned, please talk to your child's key worker and they will be happy to work alongside you.

Please note, the school has an INSET day on 24th October, followed by half term week (27th - 31st October). The Nursery will remain open during these days, however it is very useful to know if you do / do not intend on sending your child in. Due to staffing ratios, we like to plan ahead where possible and ensure that we are fully operational during this time.

It is also worth noting, for those new to nursery, during these holidays a packed lunch must be provided as the school kitchen will be closed.













Will your child be starting school in September 2006?

Our next Stay & Play session is next week - Tuesday 14th
November. Please do come and join us for a play session
for the children and a tour of the school

### **Dates for the Diary**

#### Friday 24th October: School INSET Day.

The Nursery will be OPEN, however, as the school kitchen will be closed, please ensure your child has a packed lunch.

Monday 27th - Friday 31st October: School Half Term

Please note the Nursery will remain OPEN throughout the week, however, as the school kitchen will be closed, please ensure your child has a packed lunch.

#### Friday 7th November: Parents' Evening

Please save the date - booking information will be sent out soon.

