



## Excalibur Primary School

20<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

### Pre-school Weekly Newsletter

Term: Spring one Week: three



This week, our main story has been 'A Dot in the Snow'. The children have completed some polar bear themed activities and have found out a bit about real polar bears. The children enjoyed designing colourful winter woollies using the painting dabbers.

This week, we continued our 'Wiggle into Squiggle' activities (which support pre-writing skills). This week's movement was 'down'. Each week we will add a new movement.

During PE, on Wednesday, we moved in response to music to perform a winter dance. The children had some marvellous ideas and they tried hard to follow the instructions.

This week, we have been talking about the months of the year, the days of the week and the different seasons. We have observed the weather and have looked closely at the trees outside our classroom. The children tried hard to paint their own winter trees. Super results everyone!

A reminder of some of our weekly events...

On **Monday morning** we have Rhythm Time with Gemma (no additional cost).

On **Wednesday morning** we have PE in our school hall. The children change into their PE kits so that they can move more easily. This is also an opportunity to practice putting on their own clothes and footwear. Children should bring in a PE kit (leggings, joggers or shorts, a t-shirt and school pumps or trainers). All clothing should be named as they often like to swap their outfits!

On **Thursday afternoon** we visit our school library and the children bring home a chosen book. They need to bring their library packs in on Thursday and return the book the following Thursday.

On **Friday morning** we go to the hall for a celebration assembly with Reception. Two 'Stars of the week' are chosen and we post their photos on Seesaw to let you know who our stars are. Certificates are sent home and a star badge is given, to be worn for the following week. The following Friday, star badges should be returned to pre-school.

### Number Time



This week, we have looked at number 4. We shared the story of 'Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons' (which the children loved!)

We followed up with a counting game and the children had to find buttons with the correct number of holes to put on Pete's shirt. Our rhyme of the week was the 'Five Little Snowman' which the children enjoyed acting out. We have looked at the numerals 1, 2, 3, and 4.

As always, come and ask if you have any questions!

Mrs Cheadle, Miss Dugmore, Miss Scott-Jones,  
Miss Bebbington and Miss Jones

