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**4 December 2009**

Dear Parents,

This week the children have been rehearsing hard for the nativity next week. They have been to the David Russell Theatre several times and watched the dress rehearsal of the Year R / Class 1 Christmas Songs. It was wonderful!

Next week, the children will be visiting the David Russell Theatre on Monday to perform for the Reception children. The theme is 'Cinderella/ Christmas' and on the sound table 'Items to represent Christmas'. Other activities include making Christmas cards, printing wrapping paper, writing invitations to Cinderella's Ball, making shiny collages and having fun!

#### **Nursery hours**

The nursery is very flexible about start time in the morning – however I must ask that if you have not booked an 8 a.m. start, please delay your arrival until very close to 8.45 a.m. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### **Toys**

There is a wide range of toys in nursery from which the children can choose. Please can your children leave toys at home unless they are a contribution to the interest table or a weekly theme. More toys than usual are making their way into nursery, and this has caused some avoidable upsets. Again thank you very much.

Children have been enjoying make believe play based on Thunderbirds, Ben 10, Transformers etc. To help them to develop stories further this play will take place in the Imagination Room.

#### **Nursery Nativity**

All children currently attending Nursery are invited to take part in the Nativity. Some of the older children are characters in the Nativity – please make every effort to attend. If your child does not usually attend on a Tuesday – please bring them in by 9 a.m. at the latest, and collect them from Nursery after the performance. Refreshments are available in the Dining Room from 8.30 a.m. The Theatre will be available from 9.15 a.m. for you to take your seats.

**Christmas Party Monday 14 December** 9.30 – 11.45 a.m.– I have placed a list of party foods in the Reception Area of the Nursery. Please sign the list to indicate an item of food you are willing to contribute. Thank you very much.

Boogie Mites will be coming to the Party to lead a fun music session – Santa will also appear!

All children currently attending Nursery are invited to come!

**Reminder**

Christmas Lunch in the Dining Room is on Wednesday 9 December.

End of term for Junior School – Friday 11 December.

Party and end of term for Nursery – Monday 14 December.

Holiday Care – Tuesday 15 December - Friday 18 December.

Christmas Closure - Monday 21 December 2009 – Friday 1 January 2010 inclusive.

Spring Term – Monday 4 January 2010 – Packed lunch please.

Hot lunches resume on Tuesday 5 January 2010.

Have a very happy weekend

Lois Johnson