



Through God, We  
Love, Laugh and  
Learn.

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Dear Parents and Carers

Our topic in Nursery is now 'Festivals and Celebrations'. To support your child's learning please email in celebration photographs for 'show and tell' to the office ([office@st-michaels-stone.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-michaels-stone.staffs.sch.uk)). These could include: a wedding, christening, birthday or Christmas party.

**Please continue to donate tuck money (in cash) and pay for hot dinners on SchoolMoney.**

Please send back the rocket and candle learning pictures as soon as you can which we will then use for display. We look forward to your child sharing these with the class.

In Literacy, we will be learning more nursery rhymes and developing our knowledge of phonics. Phonics pictures will be sent home each week to show you the sounds we have been learning. We are focussing on the 'Owl who was Afraid of the Dark', 'Owl Babies' and 'Can't you Sleep Little Bear'. We are also reading non-fiction texts to find out more about celebrations. We will of course, be reading lots of stories about Santa!

In Mathematics, we are developing touch counting skills, learning more number rhymes and improving our number recognition ability. We use a wide range of matching resources and dice games to support this. We are also learning to match and name 2D shapes.

In Understanding of the world, we are learning about 'light and dark' and will continue to take part in topic walks to understand more about seasonal change and learning to describe the weather.

In Religious Education, we are finding out about different festivals such as: Bonfire Night, Divali and Hanukkah. We are looking forward to introducing the topic of Christmas and changing our role-play area into an exciting Christmas corner! We will be doing lots of art and craft activities and reading about the very first Christmas.

In Computing, we are learning to play phonics and maths games using the interactive whiteboard and playing with technology toys.

In Physical Education, the children continue to practise their bike and scooter skills and we will be working on throwing, catching and kicking the ball. We will also be participating in more action songs and developing our co-ordination and rhythm through dance. All of our PE lessons are outside on Fridays, (Nursery pupils **do not** need an inside PE kit) please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately.



Topic Work: please ensure your child always has a warm coat and wellies, to enable them to explore their environment whatever the weather!

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November – to introduce Christmas to the children we would like them to come to school wearing any kind of Christmas outfit eg a Christmas jumper, party clothes or any Christmas dressing-up you may have (no PE clothes on this day).

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Nursery Staff

