



**Clough Nursery Unit**  
Parents' Newsletter  
January 2022



Welcome back to a new term and a new year at Nursery! We would like to thank you all for the very generous Christmas gift which we received from you. It was a lovely surprise and we really appreciate your thoughtfulness.

This term is always a busy time for us as we continue to learn through play. We will also be doing some *group work* to develop our receptive and expressive listening skills (i.e. listening and talking) as well as playing games to increase our mathematical skills eg matching, sorting, creating repeating patterns.

As we continue to concentrate on the children's *language development*, every *Wednesday* morning we will begin our day with **News Time**, when the children can talk to each other and share news together. If they wish, the children can bring in a photo of a toy or a visit or an activity to show and talk about with their class mates. (Please note that the children cannot bring actual toys into Nursery yet on account of Covid-19.)

Applications for Nursery places for September 2021 will open on the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021 and will close on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Registration for P1 and Nursery places will be completed on EANI admission portal.

[www.eani.org.uk](http://www.eani.org.uk)

We would appreciate it if you would share this information with your friends, family or anyone you know, who may have children due to start Nursery or school in September 2022, so they can find out about our school.

Our theme for January is **Winter**. The colours are **purple** and **white** and the shape is the *Circle*.

***On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January*** we will be visited by the Hullabaloo Theatre Company to present “Winter Wonderland”.

***On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January*** George will visit us and show us how to make a nesting box for birds,

***On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January*** Gillian from Jo Jingles will return to Nursery for musical fun and games.

Sadly, the threat of COVID is still very real. Please continue to follow the government guidelines about the importance of washing hands, keeping your distance, wearing your mask and keeping good ventilation. If your child is showing any symptoms of COVID, please do not send them to Nursery, but do a lateral flow first. If it is negative, the child can come to school, but, if positive, please contact your doctor about any further steps needed. PCR tests for under 5s are only needed if recommended by your GP.

Thank you for your continuing co-operation with these measures.

January will be a busy month but an enjoyable one too.

J. Scott