



Apple/Banana Room Learning Letter



Dear families,

Our topic for the months of December, January and February is 'Winter'. We are learning about the seasonal changes, especially those around us, and the many religious and other celebrations. Also we will be focusing on 'Equality and Diversity'. This will give the children opportunities to learn all about each other and begin to recognise and value our differences and similarities through a range of activities and experiences. We would like to take the time to explore the wonderful variety of cultures in our own ChildCare and community. We would particularly like you to come in and share the cultures and celebrations that are important to you. This could be

by way of a story, artefact, book, music etc; please let a member of staff know.



We have our mid-term planning on display in the childcare corridor; please feel free to have a look and see how you can help your child in their learning.

Winter is coming...

We have free-flow all year round, so could you please make sure that your child has appropriate clothes for outdoor play – hat, scarf, gloves and wellies as well as a warm coat. The children still really enjoy being able to access our outside area in the colder months, so having the right clothes is important to allow us to continue this.

As the weather changes, we will be adjusting the things that we do outside, so lots more physical things like running races, climbing, moving our bodies etc. We have already been doing lots more things to get us moving outside. We have been using stepping stones to walk along like an obstacle course and taking turns on the bikes and the slide. The *outdoor learning is just as important as the indoor learning* and we really appreciate your help in enabling us to continue this by providing the correct clothing.

Tapestry...

Have you seen the care diary on the Tapestry? This is where you can find out about your child's day- what they have eaten, if they've slept and about nappy changes. You can only access the care diary through the internet browser, not through the Tapestry app. Sorry for any inconvenience.

We upload photos onto Tapestry so you can see the fun that your child is having during the day. It would be great if you could also add some of the



lovely things that you are doing at home with your child. This could be a day out, reading together, playing with their toys, a trip to the park etc. The children would love to be able to show these to us and share the things that they are doing at home as well as at school.



We also use Tapestry to send you important messages, so please do make sure you check it regularly. You could also have the e-mail notifications turned-on so you are alerted to something being added about your child. If you need any help accessing it then please do come in, speak to one of us, and we can help you with this.

Christmas Party Friday 21st December 2018

We would like to invite you and your child to our Christmas party on Friday 21st December between 9.00-11.00 am, celebrating last day of term and Christmas. Father Christmas will be visiting the children as well. You are more than welcome to bring your child in for the party even if your child does not attend Friday morning session.

Please Note...

*School dinner is £2.20; please remember to pay Carole. You can pay daily, weekly or termly.

*Please **do not** park on the yellow school zone markings, as it is not safe for the children.

*Please check our website for more information www.comper.org.uk

Dates for your dairy

Autumn term 2

29th October – 21st December 2018

Christmas holiday (School closure)

24th December 2018 – 4th January 2019

Spring term 3

Tuesday 8th January 2019

January Holiday club

2nd January- 4th January 2019

Inset day (School closed for staff training)

7th January 2019

Thank you for all your support and interest

Best wishes from Apple/Banana Room Team ☺

Grace

Laura

Keanne

Anna-Lisa

Carmen

Shazia

Maria

Touhida