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# FRADLEY PARK

## Primary & Nursery School

At Fradley Park we believe "What happens early, matters for a lifetime"



## HEADTEACHERS NEWS OF THE WEEK

### BRITISH VALUES IN ASSEMBLY



This week, the children reflected on 'Tolerance' in our whole school assembly on British Values. They talked about differences in views and the importance of respecting and celebrating each other's ideas, history, race, and beliefs. The children should be bringing home a feather so that they can talk to you about tolerance too. You could watch this short clip together [Birds on a Wire - For the Birds](#) and discuss. Thank you

### SAFEGUARDING

Christmas can be magical: taking time off work, celebrating with friends and family, and enjoying wintry walks and cosy films. However, all the fun can be accompanied by a bit of festive frenzy.

The NSPCC have devised a fun quiz that we are inviting you to take part in. It is full of tips and advice to make the season everything you want it to be, and it is your guide to tackling everything from toddler tantrums and family squabbles to managing screen time. Please take the time to have a go by searching [Christmas parenting quiz | NSPCC](#).



### THANK YOU

Thank you so much to Jenson and family who donated a 'star bag' full of toys and resources that they no longer need. Amazing! We are ever so grateful, and we will be sharing them with the classes.

### CHRISTMAS

We have had a wonderful day today dressing our 'Communitree' and thinking about how Christmas is celebrated in many homes.

Over the next few weeks, the children will be decorating their classrooms, making gifts for the family, having a Christmas meal together and performing to you...their precious families. We are excited to be welcoming you into school for these events.

Please check out the calendar, in the newsletter, for more information and remember that our Christmas Jumper Day, is in the last week, to help raise money for SAVE THE CHILDREN.

The POST BOX for all the children's cards is officially open! The School Council are going to be remarkably busy elves!



Have a great weekend all!  
Chrissie Allen - Headteacher

# UPDATES ON THIS WEEK'S LEARNING!

## NURSERY TEAM UPDATE!

This week in Nursery, we have continued to explore the topic of Winter. In our classroom, we found melted snowmen and talked about what they felt like and how we could make them melt. We continued this theme in our outdoor space using ice paint sticks to make marks on coloured paper.

In our classroom, we have explored the different scents associated with winter by having mint, fir tree and oranges to use in our water play. We practised the 'i' sound in Phonics and our nursery rhyme this week was 'incy wincy spider'.

At Forest School we made mud pies and went down the slide - it is wonderful to get wrapped up and be in the fresh air.

In Maths, we have been talking about 'repeats'; things that happen over and over again. We have found these in stories, songs and using our resources.

## RECEPTION TEAM UPDATE



In reception this week we have been looking at our own independent writing. The children have been using their knowledge of finger spaces capital letters and. To write simple sentences of images they can see. In maths, we have been looking at daily routines and our days of the week. We have been speaking about what we do on certain days what we do at certain times and what happens in day and night. The children have confidently spoken about the months of the year ordering them correctly.

In for school this week we continued making our log dogs using a sore and string to complete them. They made mud pies in the kitchen and slid down the slide into muddy puddles. They had a lot of fun. In our art, the children used marbles and paint to make patterns on plain paper. They use different shades of blue to follow the style of our artist we have been looking at this term. In a PSE lessons we have been looking at making friends and how to be a good friend. The children shared their ideas of how to be kind and we have been looking out for our kind children in our class this week. The pantomime was lots of fun and the children enjoyed every second of it.



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## YEAR 1 TEAM UPDATE

## YEAR 2 TEAM UPDATE

This week in Year 1 we have been continuing to innovate our stories of Lost and Found. The children have come up with some wonderful ideas and they are all trying so hard! Miss Pearson has been blown away with Year 1's amazing reading skills this week.

In maths, we have been focusing on using a number line to solve subtraction problems. Our maths friend Tiny, often needs our help to find a solution to his problems. Luckily, we have some fantastic mathematicians in Year 1 to help solve Tiny's problems.

We have also been learning about the four seasons and discussing what the weather is usually like in each. The children enjoyed drawing seasons for their peers to guess.

Year 2 have been working really hard this week,

In Maths this week, we have started looking at the topic of Money. The children have been working hard to recognise the value of the coins when looking at pounds and pence. They are able to confidently identify the value of the coins and the values of the notes when looking at total value. The children have been showing great resilience when the new learning has been a little bit tricky. They were able to confidently identify the process they have taken when adding to find the total values.

In English this week, we have been looking at letters. The children had received some lovely letter from other children, and they considered what the letters were about. We identify the key features of the letters and included these in our writing toolkit. The children have started to confidently use 'and' as a conjunction in their sentences.

In Forest School this week the children continued using the bow saw to make their log dog and Mr Clancy showed everyone how to use a peeler on a twig!

Science this week was looking at materials and considering if they can be bent, squished and changed in other ways. The children enjoyed seeing the options using the variety of materials and how these could happen. They showed great investigation sheets.

The children in Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed watching Jack and the Beanstalk.



# FRADLEY PARK NOTICE BOARD

A polite reminder, that if you arrive at school before 8:45am . please drop your child off at either their classroom or playground. Not at the office.

## Friends of Fradley Park Zumba Dance Party

On Friday 10th January

Time: 3.15-4.30pm

At: Fradley Park Primary and Nursery School Hall

*Important additional information:  
More information to follow.*

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance matters at Fradley Park Primary and Nursery School. The more our children attend school, the more we can learn, achieve and celebrate success together.

### Class Attendance

**Nursery - 89.3%**

**Reception - 94.2%**

**Year 1 - 90.9%**

**Year 2 - 96.4%**

**Fradley Park's  
Grand Total - 92.9%**

**Every school day  
counts! Thank you for  
supporting your child's  
attendance at Fradley  
Park.**

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

11.12.24	Wednesday	EYFS Christmas Play to Parents 2:00pm
16.12.24	Monday	EYFS Christmas Play to Parents 9:30am
18.12.24	Wednesday	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Singalong to Parents Christmas Jumper Day
20.12.24	Friday	Christmas Lunch and afternoon parties! School closes for the Christmas Holidays