

Stoneygate Nursery School



November 2024

Autumn Newsletter 5

The Christmas Songs are finally being sung here in nursery, as we start to practise for our festive Carol Sing-a-Long next month. We hope you can join us... more details below!

Dates for the Diary

Little Sparkles Sessions:	Tuesday's 10.00–11.15am £2 cost (excluding 10 th December)
Christmas Fair and Carol Sing-a-Long	Tuesday 10 th December 10–11am and 2–3pm
National Christmas Jumper day	Thursday 12 th December
School closes for Christmas holidays:	Friday 20 th December 3.30pm
School reopens for Spring term:	Monday 6 th January 8.30am
Parent's Meetings:	January, date to be confirmed

Stoneygate Christmas Fair & Carol Sing-a-Long 2024

Our Christmas Fair is returning and will be held on Tuesday December 10th, here in nursery.

We will be holding the fair/carol service both in the morning and in the afternoon and even if it is not your child's normal nursery day, please come by and join in the fun! We are planning to hold several stalls and activities for all the family to join in, including a cake stall, chocolate tombola, festive games, photo booth and, not to forget, a special visit from Father Christmas himself! Please save the date so that you are able to join us – only £1 entrance fee on the day!

We will also be taking pre-orders for our ever-popular Christmas calendars, cards, and baubles featuring your children! The perfect Christmas presents for the family! More details to follow...



We are kindly asking for donations in support of our Christmas Fair. We would welcome donations for our chocolate tombola and cake stall (the day before if fresh!). All proceeds made from the Christmas Fair will be ploughed straight back into nursery and benefit all of our children. Thank you in advance for any festive contributions!

The importance of reading with your child

Thank you to everyone who visited our Book Fair last week...we really hope that you enjoyed reading your new books at home! We love to read here in nursery, and have lots of books that you can take home to share with your child each week... just look out for Bertha the Book Barrow outside of your classroom door!

Exposing children to words through reading, is one of the most powerful things that we can do to help them succeed in life. According to research undertaken by Logan et.al.,

“Parents who read one picture book with their child EVERY DAY will expose their child to approximately 78,000 different words each year. From birth to kindergarten those children will have been exposed to 1.4 million more words than children who are not exposed to books. It is a fact that reading to your child will directly impact their future language skills and academic success.”

Don't delay! If you need a new book, or any advice on how to read with your child at home, then please come and chat to us today – we would love to help!!

2025

Christmas Calendars... We will be selling our wonderful, personalised 2025 calendars again this year –featuring your child! Watch this space for an example calendar appearing on Class Dojo soon. Calendars will be on sale for £2.50 each (they would make a great Christmas present!) and order forms will be available from early December.

 Ofsted Parent View

Thank you to all those parents who have taken the time out to complete the Ofsted 'parent view' about the care we provide for your child. When we do get our Ofsted visit, they will look at this platform to help form their opinions of our nursery school.

We would be very grateful if you could take the time to register and fill out the questions on their website. Just scan the QR code to be taken directly to the link – many thanks!



Are you interested in becoming a Governor for our wonderful nursery school?

We are looking for people to join our Governing Board and help make a difference by contributing to the continued development and ambition that we have for our provision and the education that we provide.

If you would like some more information about what the role of being a school Governor entails, then please scan the codes below or pop in to school for further information!



Please 'like' and 'follow' us on **Facebook** and **Instagram**:



A note of appreciation...

All the staff at Stoneygate would just like to take the opportunity to thank all of our families for their continued support in working with us, to ensure that together, we can get the best results for your children. We all want our Stoneygater's to feel happy, secure and develop a love for learning and when we work together as a team, we know we have the best chance at making this possible.

Thank you!