

Stoneygate Nursery School



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Autumn Newsletter 5

It is fast approaching that time of year where we are starting to think about all things Christmas here in nursery! We are just in the midst of planning our events and shows for the festive season and are hoping as many families as possible can join us! More details below...

Diary Dates

Tue 9 th December	Stoneygate Christmas Performances & Fairs	9.30– 11am and 1.30pm–3pm
Wed 10 th December	Frenchwood Tots Playgroup at Stoneygate	1pm – 2.30pm
Thurs December 11 th	National Christmas Jumper Day – feel free to wear one!	All day
Fri 19 th December	School closes for Christmas Break	11.30am
Mon 5 th January	School reopens for Spring Term	8.30am

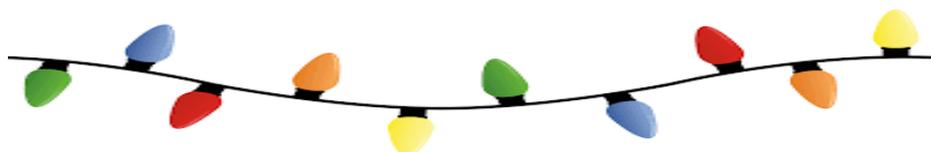
Stoneygate Nativity and Christmas Fair

Our Christmas fair is once again returning to school and this year will be held on Tuesday 9th December. We will be holding a short nativity performance and carol sing-a-long, followed by our fair, in both the morning and afternoon. Even if Tuesday is not your child's regular nursery day, please do come along and support us- we promise it will be fun and festive!

There will be several small 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 to be sent in, in support of our Christmas Fair. We would welcome donations for both 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!



Food Safety Advice

We would like to take this opportunity to share some reminders with you around preparing food safely for your child. Children can choke at any age, however, younger children are at greater risk as their narrow airways are more easily blocked. To minimise the risks of any choking incidents happening to your child at lunchtimes, or in your family home, please carefully follow the DFE advice points below, when preparing your child's meals:

- remove any stones and pips from fruit before serving
- cut small round foods (like grapes, strawberries and cherry tomatoes) lengthways and into quarters
- cut large fruits (like melon) and hard fruit or vegetables (like raw apple and carrot) into slices instead of small chunks
- cut sausages into thin strips rather than chunks and remove the skins
- remove bones from meat or fish and cut up into thin strips
- cut cheese into strips rather than chunks
- consider wholemeal or toasted bread as white bread can form a doughy ball in the throat, and cut all types of bread into strips for very young children
- do not give children hard sweets



If you need any further advice on how to best prepare your child's school lunch, or healthy ideas of what you could include inside their lunchbox, then please do pop in and ask us!

Spotlight on...

...Nursery rhymes

This week, the children in both classrooms have been busy learning the words to some popular nursery rhymes. They have been enjoying singing along to 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star', 'Incy Wincy Spider' and will be learning the words and tune for 'Humpty Dumpty' next. Nursery Rhymes are a really easy way to engage with your child and have lots of benefits for them, including boosting language development and oral skills and introducing early literacy skills such as repetition, listening for syllables and rhyming words. Why not try singing one together today?

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

Do you think you could make a difference? Would you like to be part of our Governing Board and help contribute to the continuous improvement of our nursery school?

We have the exciting opportunity of some Parent Governor positions to join our Governing Board here at Stoneygate Nursery School! If you would like some more information about what the role of being a school Governor entails, then please scan the codes below for more details, or alternatively, pop in to school for further information!

