

# What's happening at Nursery!

#### 26th January to 30th January 2015

Thank you to those of you who were able to attend our listening and reading sessions last week. Getting involved in activities like this will enable you to do support your child at home with their early literacy skills and get them well prepared for their time in school if they are due to go on to a Reception Class in September. Don't forget to add a comment to Tapestry about the session. If you were not able to attend then look out for our information sheet giving you tips and ideas for things to do at home.

Last week's cold weather gave the children lots of opportunities to continue their interest in all things Frozen! - The ice and frost led to lots of scientific language and exploration both indoors and outdoors. You could continue this interest at home by talking about frost and ice and using words such as melting, freezing and thawing to extend your child's language. The children have also been dressing up and dancing and singing all inspired by the Frozen film and music.

The children are still continuing to be inspired by their visit to the Town hall to see "The Tiger who came to tea" and have been role playing train journeys and tea parties. In Cherry room the play dough station has been really popular. The self service flour and salt has enabled children to undertake lots of scientific exploration - mixing the ingredients and adding other things to their dough. This has again given opportunities for extending the children's vocabulary through hands on experiences. These experiences are always much more meaningful for children and they are more likely to remember the words they have learnt and use them later and in other situations.

Super Saturday Birthday Bash

The Erdington Locality of Children's Centre's is celebrating it's first birthday with a free event on Saturday 31st January 2015 from 10 till 2 At Erdington 6 Ways Baptist Church Hall, B24 8AD Entry: Free (See the posters in Reception for more details) We have now decided on the teacher dates for the remainder of the year

<u>These are as follows:-</u> <u>Monday 13th April</u> <u>Friday 17th July</u> <u>Monday 20th July</u>

These dates enable us to provide training for our staff to ensure that they are fully up to date with all their training.

Nursery School is closed for all children on these days.

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Can you help to support our Birthday Bash celebrations by donating items and any unwanted Christmas presents?

If you can help then please hand in your donations to staff at the reception desk. Thank you.

(Please - no alcohol or items unsuitable for children)

#### School fund.

Please remember to make a contribution to school fund each week. We use it to buy juice, cooking ingredients, and other resources used by your children at Nursery School. Thank you to those of you who regularly contribute to the fund. Remember you can pay whatever you can afford—every little helps!!

Please check your child's bag on their peg and ensure there are spare clothes for them for any accidents!!

If you have any socks, pants or trousers your older children have outgrown please hand them to your child's key worker.

## Fruit for the café

Please can children in

## Squirrels and Owls

bring in a few pieces of fruit this week to share in the café?

Next week that will be the turn of

## <u>Caterpillars</u>



If you have a child who is too young for Nursery school please take a look at our Children's Centre Locality calendar to see if there are any groups you could attend with them. Pick up your copy at Reception.