

FEDERATION NEWS

December 2022

Peter Pan & Cherry Trees Nursery Schools



Dear Parents

We have come to the end of another busy and exciting term, and I would like to thank you for your kind gifts and Christmas wishes.

We have enjoyed the snow in the nursery gardens this week. The children have had great fun pulling each other along in the sleighs and building a snowman together.

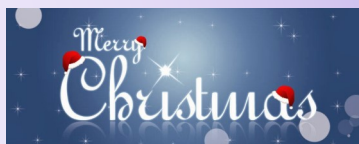
Sadly, Victoria will be leaving us at the end of this term. Victoria has been with the Federation for the last 11 years and has worked at each school as Assistant Head Teacher for Teaching and Learning, as well as providing support to many Early Years settings across Bedford Borough. Victoria leaves us to take up the position of Senior Lecturer in Early Years Education at the University of Hertfordshire and we wish her the very best of luck in her new role. We have recruited an experienced Senior Teacher, Anna, who will join the Federation in January 2023.

It just remains for me to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2022. Let's hope we see life return to some sort of normal.

Enjoy the break with your family and friends and we will see you on 5th January 2023.

Julie Smith

Executive
Head Teacher



Our learning this term.....

This half term we concentrated on the festivals that take place at this time of the year. Remembrance, Diwali, Bonfire Night and of course Christmas.



Some of the children went along to St Paul's Church in Bedford to decorate the Christmas trees. They were absolutely brilliant and represented the Federation fantastically. The trees were beautifully decorated with 'Frozen' and 'Mary Poppins' decorations to reflect the musical theme this year.



The children have been busy practising their name writing and fine motor skills whilst creating their cards and calendars. They have also been developing their cooking skills whilst making cakes, yule logs, biscuits and mince pies.

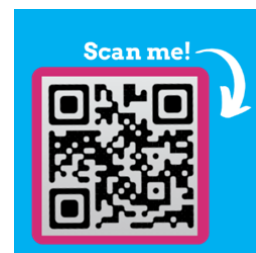
We held our singing concerts in the garden; thank you to everyone who came along on a chilly day to hear and join in with the children's singing and actions to the songs.

Home Learning

Christmas is fast upon us and we are busy in nursery making cards and decorations. The children are thinking about gifts they would like for Christmas so now is a good time to write a letter to Santa! This week we would like to suggest activity #38 'Posty'. Please take pictures and tell us your experiences of the activity so we can share them with the other children. Have fun learning together!

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TERM DATES

Autumn Term 2:	End of Term: 16th December 2022
Spring Term 1:	5th January 2023 to 10th February 2023
HALF TERM:	13th to 17th February 2023
Spring Term 2:	20th February 2023 to 31st March 2023
Easter Holiday:	3rd April 2023 to 18th April 2023
Summer Term 1:	19th April 2023 to 26th May 2023