

Thomas Coram Centre and Nursery School

14th November 2023

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who supported our Healthy Week last week and particularly to those who encouraged your child to walk to nursery school. It's great to see the children getting fit and healthy.

This week is National Nursery Rhyme Week.

Nursery rhymes are a great way for the children to develop their communication skills and focus on the important language aspects of rhyme, rhythm, repetition and alliteration.

The children will be

- taking on the 'Rhyme a Day' challenge
- using song and rhyme sacks to independently access rhymes throughout the day
- practicing nursery rhymes with actions

Watch out for more information from your Key Person- and please let us know if you have a favourite nursery rhyme. Perhaps you could come in and teach it to us!

Friday 17th November

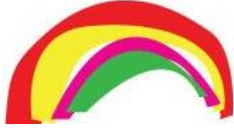
We will be concluding this busy week by supporting the BBC's fund-raising event, **CHILDREN IN NEED** with a dress-up day and fun games.

As usual, we will be asking families to donate £1.00 for this worthwhile cause.

We are asking the children to dress up as a nursery rhyme character or come to nursery school in their pyjamas or wear spotty clothes.

And finally, we are planning on holding our traditional **Nativity** performance on Tuesday 19th December, at 2.00pm. You are all warmly invited to join us- more information to follow nearer the time.

With Best Wishes, Perina and the Thomas Coram Team



Term and Holiday Dates 2023 to 2024

Autumn term 2023

School closed for ALL children:

(Staff training INSET- One day) - Thursday 21st December 2023

Christmas closure: Friday 22nd December 2023 to Friday 5th January 2024 - Children return Monday 8th January 2024.

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Spring term 2024

Monday 8th January to Thursday 29th March 2024

School closed for Term Time Only children only:

Half-term: Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February 2024

Easter closure: Friday 29 March to Friday 12 April 2024 - Children return Tuesday 16th April 2024.

School closed for ALL children:

Easter closure: Friday 29th March- Friday 5th April 2024 - Children return Tuesday 16th April 2024.

Summer term 2024

Monday 15th April to Wednesday 24th July 2024

School closed for Term Time Only children only:

Half-term: Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May 2024.

Summer: Thursday 25th July to Friday 30th August 2024

School closed for ALL children:

Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 27th May 2024

(Staff training INSET- One day)- Monday 15 April 2024

(Staff training INSET- One day)- Friday 21st June 2024

Summer: Monday 12th August to Friday 30th August 2024