

CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

Happy Minds, Healthy Bodies, Kind Hearts

Tuesday 2nd December 2025

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It is certainly beginning to look a lot like Christmas here at Crossens Nursery School! Here is our December Newsletter to keep you up to date with all our fun!



Nursery will close on Friday 19th December 2025 at the normal time and we will reopen in the New Year on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Share the fun!

Please send in photographs of your decorations and celebrations at home. The children will be so excited to talk about them during group time!



What are we learning this month?

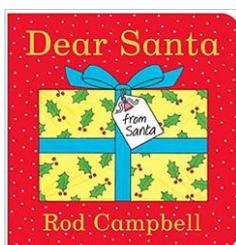
Big Room:

The children have really enjoyed naming and identifying emotions. When using their Emotions Roads, they confidently talk about their feelings and what helps them move from one emotion to another, such as angry, sad or scared. Bringing awareness to facial features and body language has helped some children show empathy, offering toys when they see others are sad or simply asking 'Are you okay? How are you feeling?' The breath work at the start of each session has helped the children understand 'calm' and 'relaxed' and sets the tone for learning. Over the next few weeks, there will be many emotions experienced as we lead into the festive period. Supporting children through these emotions is so important - remember to take a moment to breathe together when a little calm is needed.

The children will be learning all about winter and the changes they see and feel. We will be learning about how some families celebrate Christmas. They will be using their making skills and tools to create cards and decorations, practicing snipping, cutting and glueing.

Purple Room:

The children are enjoying 'Dear Santa' by Rod Campbell – a classic Christmas themed book, where Santa is choosing a perfect present for a special child. During this time, we will provide meaningful experiences with a focus on teaching the values of giving and sharing joy, and creating memories through traditions such as decorations, storytelling, singing and dancing. Christmas presents come and go; Christmas memories last a life time.



Christmas Performance

When?

The Christmas Performance is on **Friday 19th December at 9.30am**. The 3 and 4 Year Olds and our Purple Room will be entertaining us all and getting us into the Christmas spirit!

Who can come along to watch?

Our assemblies here at Crossens are always very well attended. We will need to limit availability to **only two adult guests per child**. Babies in prams and small children who can sit on knees are very welcome, in addition.

What if my child is not normally in on a Friday?

Your child can still join in if you wish to watch the performance. In order for us to ensure staffing and correct ratios, please contact the school office to organise this.

What does my child need to wear?

Children will need to wear items on the day for the following themed songs please:

Big Room:

Red Group – Please wear something shiny or sparkly to support the singing of ‘5 Little Stars’

Green Group – Please wear Winter clothes (coat, boots, hat and gloves) to support the singing of ‘Here we go round the Christmas tree’

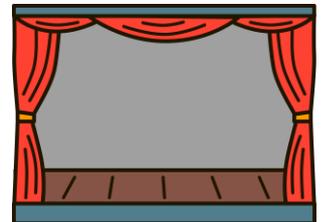
Yellow – Please wear something ‘festive’ such as a Christmas jumper or t-shirt to support the singing of ‘Christmas time is here!’

Purple Room:

Children are welcome to wear something festive, if they wish, to support their singing of ‘Jingle Bells’.

Please do not spend lots of money on a costume for your child – simple is always more effective in Early Years and the children will need to be able to stand, sing and move comfortably in their clothing.

If you have any questions, please just ask!



Christmas Party

Thursday 18th December, 1.30pm

The children will have an afternoon of fun including meeting Santa and our very special Christmas Elf, playing games, enjoying party food with their friends and, of course, lots of dancing! Children can wear their Christmas jumpers or party clothes if they wish! **We ask for a donation of £5 per child to cover the costs** of the event with any remaining funds going towards new Nursery resources. **Party money is payable via ParentPay**. If your child does not normally attend Nursery on a Thursday, and they would like to join us at 1.30pm, please contact the school office to book their place.

Purple Room will be joining the party but **we are already full and meeting our ratios** for the Thursday afternoon. If you would like to add your child's name to the **reserve list**, in the event of any absences, please contact the school office.

