



# Steeple Nursery School

Focus 4: Winter 2024



# HAPPY NEW YEAR

Welcome back everyone. Hope you all had a lovely, safe and peaceful Christmas.

## Dates for your diary:

- **Jo Jingles:** Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January & Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February
- **Health Visitor Appointments:**  
If you returned your questionnaire and you would like to avail of an appointment with a Health Visitor please sign your name against a time on the Interview Schedules that are placed in your child's cloakroom. If you do not drop off or collect your child please ask your child care provider to sign on your behalf. These interviews will take place in school from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January. Please remember to bring your child's red book.
- **Coffee Get Togethers:** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January & Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February
- The photographer will be back in school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February to take class photos. If your child missed their individual photograph in October they can have it taken on this day also.
- **Half Term Holidays:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February  
Back to school - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February

## ***CHINESE NEW YEAR***

2024 is the Year of the 'Dragon' and the children will be learning about Chinese New Year by participating in traditional Chinese celebrations.



## **Getting Ready to Learn**

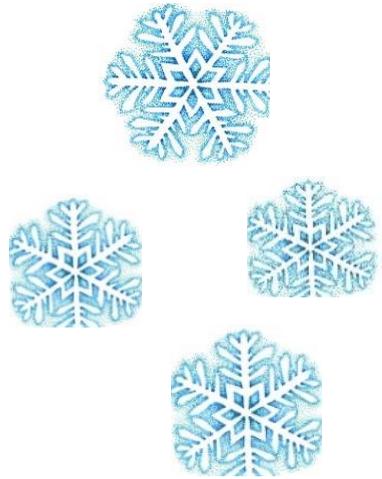
Please keep an eye on Seesaw over the next few weeks as we share more information with you about our 'Getting Ready to Learn' programme. You can find out more information by visiting the GRTL website <https://www.gettingreadytolearn.co.uk>

# RHYMES

For the next six weeks our learning will be focusing on the winter season and polar habitats.

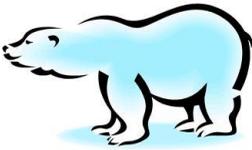
## 1. Snow Flakes

Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Dance around.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Touch the ground.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Soft and white.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Snowball fight!  
Snowflakes. Snowflakes  
In the air.  
Snowflakes, snowflakes  
Everywhere!



## 2. Polar Bear

Polar bear, polar bear, where will you sleep?  
I will sleep in my cave until I am ready to eat!  
Polar bear, polar bear, what will you eat?  
I will eat a big seal for my morning treat!!



## 3. Little Snowman

A funny little snowman had a carrot nose  
Along came a rabbit and what do you suppose?  
That funny little bunny looking for his lunch  
Ate the snowman's carrot nose,  
Nibble, nibble, crunch.



## 4. Little Penguins (Tune: "I'm a Little Teapot")

I'm a little penguin in the snow,  
I slide on my tummy to and fro,  
I eat the fish from the deep, blue sea,  
I'm black and white as you can see.



**5. Winter Time is Here** (Tune: Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells)

Icy toes, chilly nose  
Winter time is here.  
My teeth chatter,  
What's the matter?  
Winter time is here.



**6. Five Cheeky Robins**

5 cheeky robins looking for a worm,  
One tried to catch one, but away it squirmed.  
Finally he caught it, yes it's true!  
So he flapped his wings and away he flew!  
4 cheeky robins ... etc.



**7. Five Little Snowmen**

5 little snowmen, 5 little snowmen,  
Ready to play, ready to play.  
The sun shone down on one of them,  
The sun shone down on one of them.  
And melted him away and melted him away!  
4 Little Snowmen ... etc.



## Reminders:

- **Spare Clothes:** Please ensure your child's bag contains a complete change. ALL items should be clearly named.
- Please remember to bring a **warm coat** every day and ensure it has your child's name on it. (No scarves please)
- Please do not wear any jewellery to school.
- **FUND MONEY (£35)** for **Term 2** is now due. Please place the money in the envelope provided and hand to a member of staff in your child's class by **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**. Thank you

- **STARTING PRIMARY SCHOOL**

The online portal for applying for Primary School opens on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon. All forms need to be completed by **FRIDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2024 at 12 noon**. Please do not hesitate to talk to us if you have any questions, or if you require support in completing the application form.

- **NURSERY ENROLMENT**

If you, or any of your family/friends have a child who was born between 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020 and 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 remember the online portal opens on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon and the closing date for applications for commencing Nursery School in Sept 2023 is:-

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 12 noon.**

**Any forms after this date and time will be considered as 'Late Applications'.**

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 94464151 or email [steepenursery@outlook.com](mailto:steepenursery@outlook.com) if you have any questions or queries.

Kind regards  
Mrs Z Scarlett

