

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



26th November 2021

This week

This week has been all about the traditional tale of the Gingerbread man. The children have listened and joined in with the story, enjoyed playing with character puppets, story cards, making gingerbread man shapes out of air drying clay, decorating paper gingerbread men and retelling the story to their friends.

If you make gingerbread at home please post some photos to Tapestry so we can see how you got on!

Next week

Next week we begin our two week topic "Winter" leading into our festive celebrations at the end of term. Next week we will think about the seasonal changes we notice all around us as Winter approaches, how the trees have lost most of their leaves now, how the mornings and evenings are much darker and how the weather is getting colder.

We will also explore ice and the processes of freezing and melting, through lots of hands on activities.

Books of the week

The Ginger Bread Man
Traditional Tails
Keep Running Gingerbread Man
The Christmas Gingerbread

Word of the week

The word of the week is "**catch**". This was taken from our story The Gingerbread Man where none of the characters can catch the Gingerbread Man, except the fox. We also practised our catching skills to see if we could catch a ball. See if you can use the word catch at home, and maybe play some catching games too!

Christmas

We are learning some Christmas songs! We would like to invite you to an outdoor Christmas sing-a-long on **Tuesday 7th December**.

We will perform our songs at 9.15am and 2.15pm that day, in the area inside our black gates, at the back of Dragonfly room. We are learning 3 songs so it should not take more than 30 minutes allowing for logistics too!

There is no need to book, but where possible please limit attendance to one adult per child for each time slot. Younger siblings are welcome but need to remain under your supervision. If your child is not due to be in Nursery that day, you can bring them along for one of the sing-a-longs, if you would like to. Again there is no need to book, just bring your child along with you. Meet at the Nursery gates and we will let you in.

We will be learning the songs "Jingle-bells" and "Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer".

Missing hoodie

Please could all families check they haven't accidentally picked up a named size 5-6 years navy blue zip up hoodie from Nursery, thank you

Available sessions

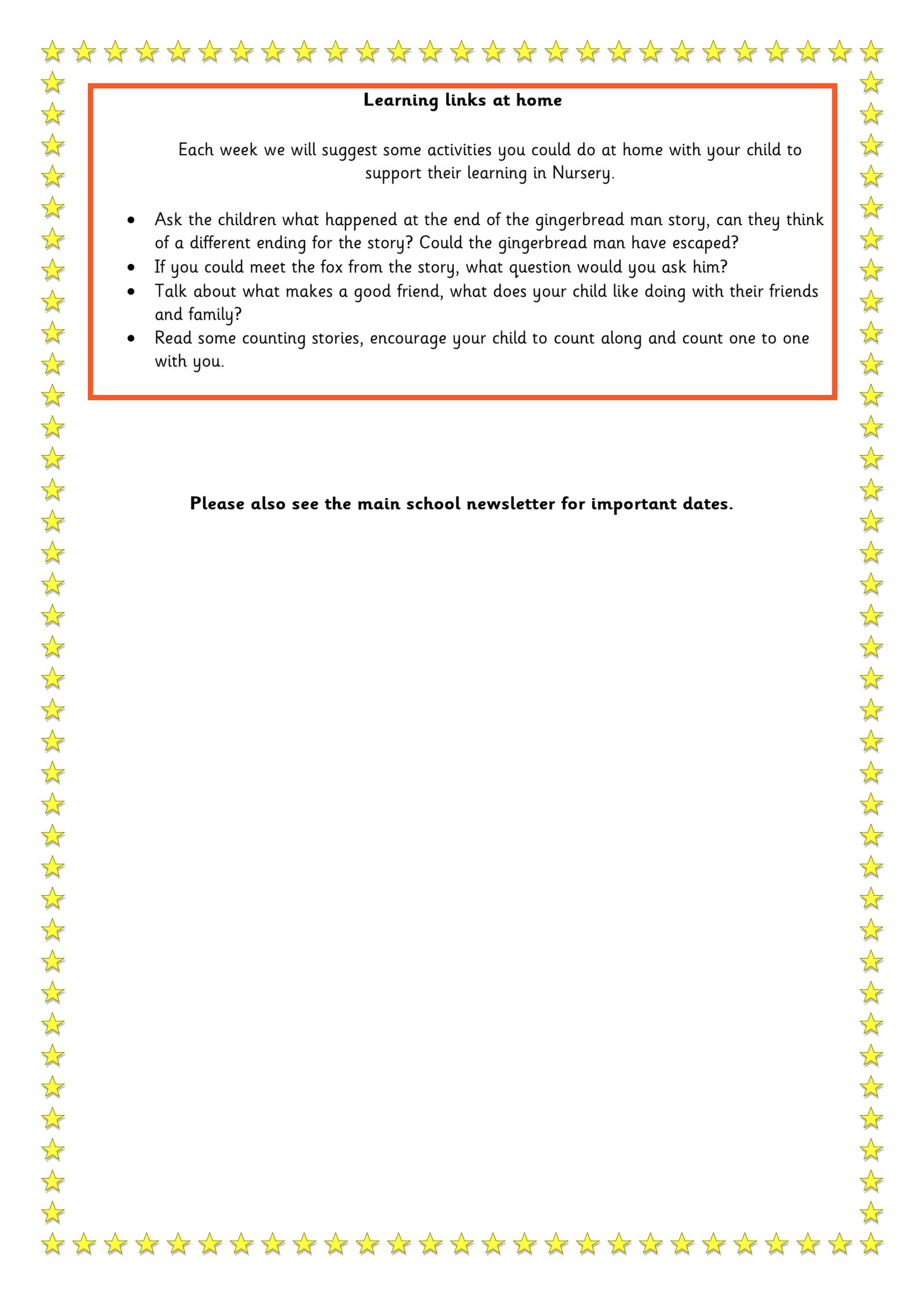
We currently have the following permanent sessions available:

8.30 am to 11.30 am: Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

11.30 am to 12.15 pm: Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday only

12.15 pm to 3.15 pm: Monday, Wednesday/Thursday/ Friday only

Please contact Monica in the school office at nursery@ashleighprimary.net for further information.



Learning links at home

Each week we will suggest some activities you could do at home with your child to support their learning in Nursery.

- Ask the children what happened at the end of the gingerbread man story, can they think of a different ending for the story? Could the gingerbread man have escaped?
- If you could meet the fox from the story, what question would you ask him?
- Talk about what makes a good friend, what does your child like doing with their friends and family?
- Read some counting stories, encourage your child to count along and count one to one with you.

Please also see the main school newsletter for important dates.