

Ashleigh Nursery

Newsletter



3rd December 2021

This week

We have been learning about Winter and the seasonal changes at this time of year. We have also been learning about patterns and have been challenging the children to make repeating patterns using two or three colours. The children were fascinated by the ice during the icy start to the week, particularly watching what happens when ice melts.

Thank you for all the wonderful Tapestry observations of home baking and festive preparations!

Next week

Next week we will continue to learn about Winter, we will go on a Winter walk to notice the signs of Winter around us. We will also learn why some people celebrate Christmas at this time of year. We will learn about traditions and how people may do different things to celebrate.

Books of the week

Williams winter wish
Snow Bears

Word of the week

Each week we will be introducing a new word linked to our topic. We will focus on the word, what it means and using it confidently in sentences.

This week the word of the week was “**shiny**”. Can the children find shiny objects at home? Many of the children had the misconception that shiny meant “clean”. We talked about what makes something shiny – see if you can add a picture of something shiny to show us!

Mrs Sprake leaving Ashleigh Nursery

Sadly for everyone here, Mrs Sprake is leaving Ashleigh at Christmas to take up a really exciting new job, working for the local education authority. Although everyone involved with Ashleigh will miss her very much, I'm sure you'll all join with me in congratulating her on her new role and saying thank you for being such an important part of Ashleigh life for the last 10 years.

The good news is that the brilliant Mrs Lynch will be joining our fantastic Nursery Team in January so that Ashleigh Nursery continues to be a great place for our youngest children.

Christmas

We have been learning a few Christmas songs and the children are looking forward to singing these for you next Tuesday.

If you haven't done so already please email nursery@ashleighprimary.net to let us know which session you would like to attend.

We will perform our songs at 9.15am and 2.15pm in the area inside our black gates, at the back of Dragonfly room.

Available sessions

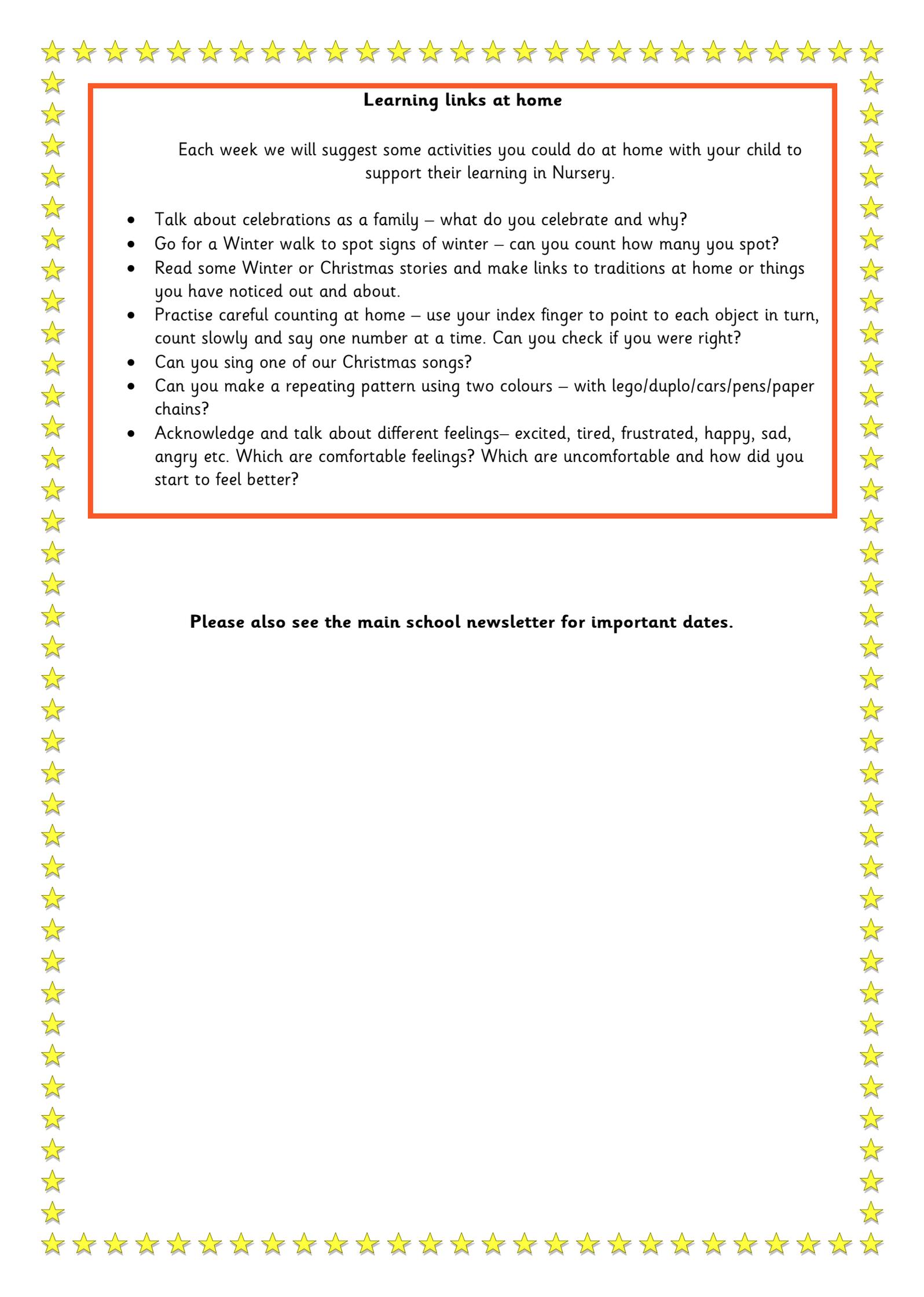
We currently have the following permanent sessions available:

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

11.30 am to 12.15 pm: Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday 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.

- Talk about celebrations as a family – what do you celebrate and why?
- Go for a Winter walk to spot signs of winter – can you count how many you spot?
- Read some Winter or Christmas stories and make links to traditions at home or things you have noticed out and about.
- Practise careful counting at home – use your index finger to point to each object in turn, count slowly and say one number at a time. Can you check if you were right?
- Can you sing one of our Christmas songs?
- Can you make a repeating pattern using two colours – with lego/duplo/cars/pens/paper chains?
- Acknowledge and talk about different feelings– excited, tired, frustrated, happy, sad, angry etc. Which are comfortable feelings? Which are uncomfortable and how did you start to feel better?

Please also see the main school newsletter for important dates.