



# RAVENSCROFT

## NURSERY SCHOOL

### January 2025 Newsletter

**Dear Parents**

**Welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all.**

**Firstly, a big thank you to all our families who donated to FareShare in December.**

**January sees the beginning of the Open Enrolment process for Nursery and Primary Schools. We are happy to chat to anyone considering a late deferral to primary school; children born between 1 April 2021 and 1 July 2022 are eligible for this option.**



**Look Who's 4 !!**

Happy Birthday to

**Caleb**

**Winter**

**Emmy**

**Emma**



Our dental nurse will be joining us on Tuesday, the 14th of January, from 12.30-1.30. We would appreciate parents to join us, so that they can work with their children on their brushing skills



Now that the weather is colder, the children will need a hat and mittens for outdoor play - we have storage areas to keep a set in school should you wish to send in a hat and mittens (not gloves) for your child.

Please label each item.



In keeping with the characteristics of the month our theme for January is “**Wintery Weather**”. We shall be talking about and observing the various types of weather in winter, including ice, fog, snow, frost etc. We will be exploring concepts such as freezing, precipitation, melting and investigating wind forces. We will even be making a wind tunnel! The children will also be encouraged to think about birds that visit the garden and how we can help them during the winter.

We will be using 'Frozen' as a theme - We will be using large frozen ice blocks - if you would have room at home in your freezer to make some of these, would you Seesaw a message to staff.

Colours for the month will be black and white.

All the children are coping very well putting on their outdoor coats unaided. We are currently encouraging them to zip or button up coats themselves. Some are already quite adept at this and helping others master the skill. Please support your child's efforts at home and school to encourage independence.



The children will be role playing in our Ravenscroft Accessories Shop, and X Factor stage this month - we would be most grateful for any donations of old jewelry, scarves, bags, popstar outfits, musical instruments, etc. if you have them.

As part of our Eco Schools Project and in preparation for the Big Bird Watch 26-28th January, we will be making bird feeders. We will ask for donations of bread and seeds later in the month.

Here are some links to our SeeSaw resources

[Animals In Winter](#)

[Pete the Cat Snow Daze](#)

[Winter is Here](#)

Click here to learn about [Applying for Primary School](#) and on our website: [Admissions | Ravenscroft Nursery School](#)

**Key Dates for Pre-School and Primary admissions:**

**10 January 2025**

Applications open on EA Connect at 12 noon

**24 January 2025**

Applications close on EA Connect at 12 noon

**9 April 2025**

Parents and guardians application outcome via email for pre-school Stage 1 (target age) and primary one

**10 June 2025**

Notification of (pre-school Stage 2) outcome via email (includes underage application)

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