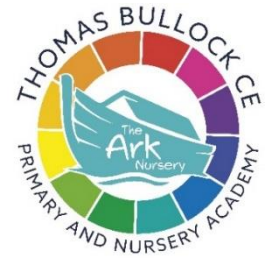


# The Ark Nursery Newsletter



## This week

We have had a busy week of learning, alongside beginning our festive fun! In Literacy, we have been introduced to 'The Christmas Story' and we have discussed each of the characters. In Maths, we created AB pattern fruit kebabs – this went down a treat with the children. We were also briefly introduced to ABC patterns. We mixed together ingredients, rolled out the salt dough and pressed festive shapes into the dough to create Christmas decorations. They are currently drying out before we decorate them in the final weeks before Christmas! We were very excited to come into class on Thursday to find a huge Christmas tree with twinkly lights. We noticed an elf sitting at the top of the tree and read a letter from him together.



## Next week

Alongside lots of fun Christmas activities, we will continue practising our songs and actions for our Christmas performance. We are super excited for the James and the Giant Peach show in our school hall on Monday afternoon! We also have Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday where we will wear our usual clothing with a Christmas jumper over the top and our Christmas party afternoon on Friday! In amongst all the excitement, we will continue looking at AB and ABC patterns, before we move onto consolidating our maths learning. We will also continue looking at The Christmas Story and begin story mapping the story together.

## Learning links at home

- Christmas time is a time to think about ways we can be kind and helpful to others. Find a way to help someone in your family.
- Draw or paint a Christmas picture.
- Design some Christmas wrapping paper – can you use a repeating ABAB pattern in your design? You might have: green bauble, red bauble, green bauble, red bauble.

- Have a grown up cut circles, triangles, squares and rectangles out of coloured paper. Can you put them together to make a snowman? Can you give him a hat? And some buttons?