



Nursery Newsletter - Christmas 2025

12th December 2025

Dear Parents,

We have all enjoyed a wonderful festive end to a term which has really flown by. The children are happy and settled and have grown into such confident learners bursting with enthusiasm and personality! They have worked incredibly hard over the past few weeks preparing for their performances. We have been so impressed with all their efforts to learn their songs and especially their 'acting'. We are so incredibly proud of them.

There have been so many highlights especially in the latter part of this term; the children have celebrated Diwali, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Pyjama Day; we also had the opening of our 'Forest Camp'. The Upper Nursery experienced 'big school' and were thrilled to explore The Roche School Christmas Fair run by FORS who thoroughly spoilt us all.



It was lovely to see so many of you at Parents' evening (almost a full house) and we hope you enjoyed learning all about your child's successes and the next steps for their development. Some parents will receive a statutory 2 year progress report which we will be happy to discuss further if you wish in the New Year.

We welcomed Chaplins' Theatre company for a Panto visit at Keswick Nursery; our middle hall was transformed into a wonderful mini theatre. The performance of 'Red Riding Hood' was very entertaining. The children had been excited all week and could not wait to see the show and we were joined by our Wandsworth Nursery. There was a lovely spirit in the Nursery with lots of giggles, laughter and only the odd tiny wobble when the panto villain appeared.



Finally.....

Our project for Spring Term is 'Terrific Transformations'. The teachers are excited about planning a fun filled term with great learning opportunities across the curriculum and areas of development. We have also attached our list of celebration and important events which we ask you to contribute to and return if there are any events you would like us to celebrate.

We are also excited to welcome Mrs Emma back from maternity leave who will join the Lower Nursery 2 days per week.

We would like to thank our class reps for doing such a wonderful job this term (as always!)

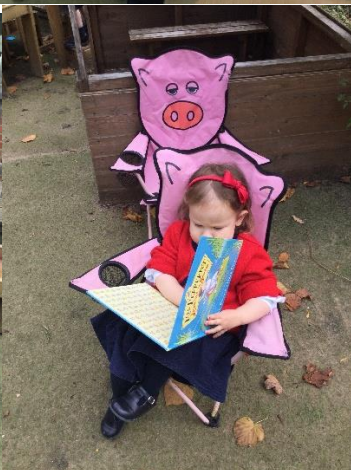
The Nursery will re-open on Wednesday 7th January 2026.

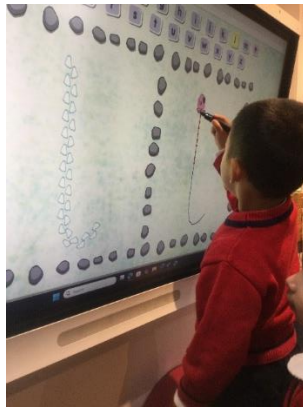
The teachers at Keswick Nursery would like to thank all our parents for their generous gifts and we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

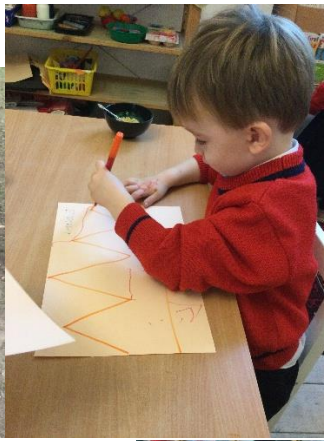
Thank you

Mrs Gabriella, Mrs Lisa and Nursery Team

Please enjoy our picture gallery to mark the end of a tremendous term.



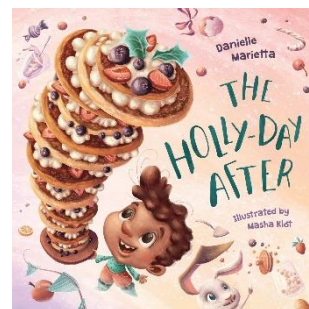
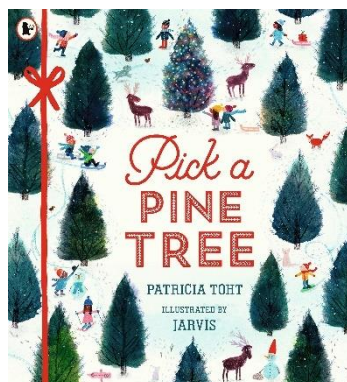
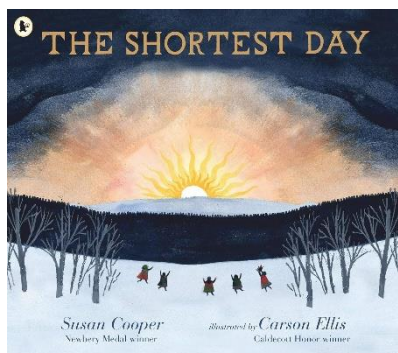




Recommended Christmas books of the fortnight:

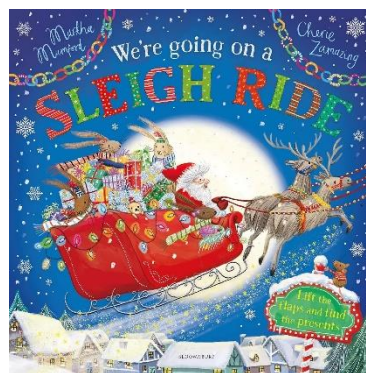
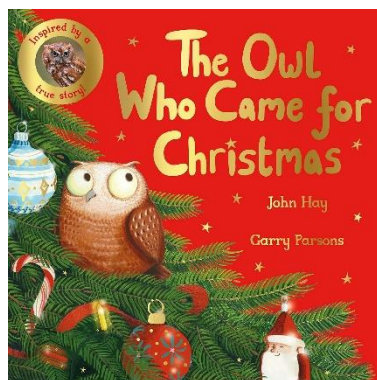
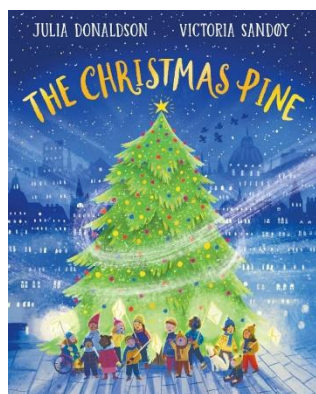
The Shortest Day by Susan Cooper- As the sun set on the shortest day of the year, people would gather to prepare for the long night ahead. They built fires and lit candles. This beautiful book evokes the joy and community found in the ongoing mystery of life when we celebrate light, thankfulness, and festivity at a time of rebirth.

Pick a Pine Tree by Patricia Toht - A festive read-aloud brimming with all the joy and excitement of Christmas beginning, of course, with picking out a tree.



The Christmas Pine by Julia Donaldson- Deep in a snowy wood stands a little pine tree with a special destiny: when it grows up, it's going to be the famous Christmas tree in Trafalgar Square!

This is the perfect picture book to snuggle up with and share at Christmas. Gorgeous, atmospheric illustrations whisk you from frozen forests to the sparkling city square in a beautiful, moving story of festivity and hope

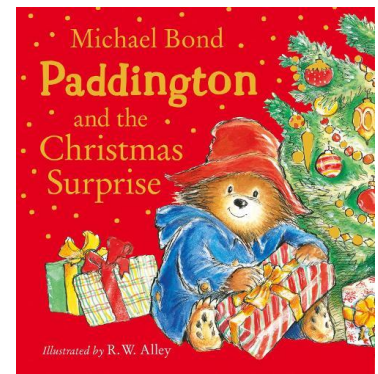
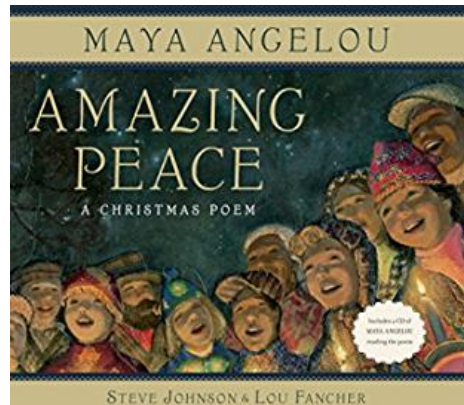
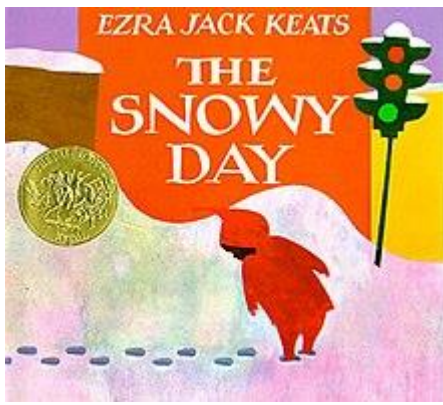


We're Going on a Sleigh Ride by Martha Mumford- The Bunny Adventures series is the perfect collection for young children, full of exciting adventures, fun lift-the-flap pages, and made of very sturdy paper for little hands. Collect them all for a wonderful gift to be read, re-read, and treasured for years to come.

The Owl Who Came for Christmas by John Hay- Christmas is coming, and the decorations are going up...But one family is about to discover an unexpected visitor snuggled up in their Christmas tree...A little owl called Rosie! *The Owl Who Came for Christmas* is the perfect gift for young animal lovers – and those who love incredible true animal stories.

The Holly-day After by Daniella Marietta- Spend Christmas with Santa and his family this Christmas as they cook up an amazing pancake feast in the North Pole. Carrying out their favourite traditions, join Santa's nieces and nephews as they plant their future Holly-day After trees outside.

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats- This award-winning picture book depicts the magic and wonder of winter's first snowfall. This has also just been made into a short film and is available on Amazon Prime.



Amazing Peace by Maya Angelou: The infamous poem paired with beautiful illustrations. Angelou read this poem at the 2005 White House tree-lighting, and the accompanying illustrations tell the story of a family joining with others in their community of all races and religions to celebrate the holidays.

Paddington and the Christmas Surprise by Micheal Bond- Everyone's favourite bear returns in **Paddington and the Christmas Surprise**. The festive-inspired picture book tells the story of the Browns taking Paddington along to a local department store grotto. The store offers many wonderful surprises as they make their way through the magical Winter Wonderland, one of which includes meeting with Santa Claus himself.



Happy Christmas!