



# Newsletter

## January 2014

We hope that you have all had a great Christmas and would like to wish all children, parents and carers a Happy New Year, and our best wishes for 2014!

Thank you for all your participation throughout December, we had lots of parents attend our events and hope that you all had a great time. Keep an eye out for information on upcoming events throughout the year!

We will be celebrating **Chinese New Year** on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014** and would like to ask parents of children who attend on a Friday to dress your child in **Red** or **Gold** ready for the day's activities.

**Is your child born between 01/09/2009 and 31/08/2010?**

Please remember that the online application to register your child for primary or infant school closes at 11.59pm Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2014. You will not be able to apply online after that time.

If you need to apply after that time you must contact the Admissions Team for a paper application form. Any such application will be regarded as a late application and will be processed after all on-time applications have been dealt with.

If you need more details please contact the School Admissions Team.

Telephone: 023 8083 3004

Email: [school.admissions@southampton.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@southampton.gov.uk)

**Sport Relief - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2014**

We will be taking part in Sport Relief this year, hoping to help fundraise to help children into education and provide communities with fresh drinking water, and life-saving vaccines.

We would like to ask you to sponsor your child to do as many jumps as possible in various activities throughout the day, as part of Sport Relief's 'Woolly Jumpers' initiative.



**Are there any festivals you celebrate as a family?**

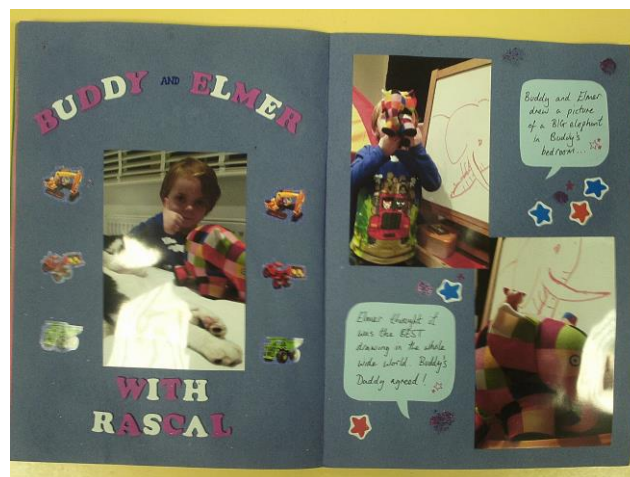
Please make sure to keep your key person updated with any festivals you celebrate at home so we can celebrate them here too!

We already have Chinese New Year on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014 and Shrove Tuesday coming up on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

Please make sure that you are providing your child with indoor shoes or slippers that are comfortable for your child to wear throughout the day, and a separate pair of shoes or wellington boots to wear in the garden. This will prevent any blisters and ensure that the nursery floors remain clean and hygienic.



Elmer Elephants would like to say a big 'thank you' for the fantastic contributions being made to their Elmer Elephant Travels book. Children and parents appear to really enjoy sharing the book and journal at home, then bringing them back to share with the children at the nursery.



We would like to ask parents for any spare resources, objects or stories that you may have particularly from a range of cultures and languages. Also, if you are out and about please look out for any natural resources that we can use here for sensory play, for instance fir cones and crunchy leaves.