



Newsletter: January

"Creative people are curious, flexible, persistent and independent, with a tremendous spirit of adventure and a love of play." - Henri Matisse

Our aim is to provide a safe and stimulating environment in which you and your child can make friends and enjoy learning through play. Inspiring creative and imaginative play and encouraging your child's natural curiosity is central to our ethos.



We hope you all enjoyed our Christmas themed session and that you found the time to rest and recharge during the holiday season. We are delighted to send you the first issue of The Abbey's Stay & Play toddler group newsletter of the new year and we look forward to welcoming you back or meeting you soon.

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Stay and Play 'to go'

Sensory Bottles

When the weather is dark, cold and gloomy, homemade discovery bottles offer an extra sensory dimension to snuggling up with a favourite story. They give young children access to exploring all sorts of interesting materials that would normally be off limits. Even the youngest children can join in the sensory fun with the glitter, sequins and pompoms safely in the discovery bottle and not in mouths! All you need is a clean plastic bottle with a well-fitting lid, some super glue to make sure the fastening is secure and some interesting contents to go in your bottle. Think about what would be interesting to shake and hear inside the bottle, or what would be interesting to roll round and look at. We have a selection on display near the baby area if you would like some inspiration! Story-themed or calm-down bottles are often firm favourites of babies and toddlers. For example, white glitter in water for the snowstorm in 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen.



Song Time

This month we open the floor for you to perform and teach us your favourite song!

Upcoming Stay and Play dates:

All sessions run from 09.30am-11.00am. Please visit <https://theabbey.co.uk/events/> for more information and to book your child's place.

11 February 2022

11 March 2022

13 May 2022

If you require any further information about The Abbey School, please contact our admissions department on admissions@theabbey.co.uk.

