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## December Newsletter

### STARGAZERS

Dear Parents,

It will soon be the end of our first term together in the Stargazers class and what a term it has been! All the children have made remarkable progress since when they started in September! They have all been working very hard and enjoying their time together at Nursery developing their social, physical and communication skills every day. Furthermore, we are focusing on their literacy, mathematics, expressive arts and understanding the world skills which are the keys to success on the path to primary school next year.

The month of November has been jammed packed with new ideas and learning concepts at Rainbow Valley. The children have developed their rhyming and literacy skills with our Nursery Rhymes topic, then their vocabulary has been broadened immensely with the "Dinosaurs" topic while "My UAE" has given them a better understanding of the world in which they live. Also, the trips to the park have been an exciting new addition to our week as we can go out and discover the world around us and get some physical exercise and fresh air!!

Besides, the celebration for UAE National Day at the end of November was also a fun and engaging day where the children got an insight into the country in which they were born or live. So, thank you so much for your participation and support!

We will be starting our new topic of "Winter Wonderland" during the first week of December and this will last until the end of the term.

During this topic, we will discuss the change in seasons, change in clothes and what happens to plants and animals during winter as well as having lots of singing and creative activities such as a wide range of expressive arts and design crafts, especially for this festive period.

Included in the December program will be the winter concert which will take place on the 12th December and also a surprise visit from Santa on the 17th and a Christmas themed party on the 19th December! So many exciting events to look forward to this month!

At home, you can encourage your child to sing the following songs to practice for the show; 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer'; 'When Santa Got stuck Up the Chimney'; and 'Jingle Bells'.

You can help to teach them the words to increase their communication and language and at the same time boosting their confidence when singing alone and in a group. Also, you can talk about which animals we find in winter and their habitat and how we can show care and concern for living things during the harsh, cold season such as plants as well as animals.

If you would like to show your child what winter is like why not take a trip to Ski Dubai or the Dubai Ice Rink to experience the festive season first-hand. There is a real Winter Wonderland experience on your doorstep!

We will be doing the Parent and Teacher meetings during the final week of the term where you will be handed your child's progress report. Please feel free to discuss any concerns you have with me during this meeting about your child's development.

Seasons greetings,

Regards,

Ms. Shelley