

Keeping Up With

KICKSTART

THIS WEEK AT KICKSTART...

Welcome to the latest edition of Keeping Up With Kickstart - our weekly newsletter keeping parents, families, schools, and the wider community connected to everything happening across Kickstart.

It's been a festive and active week, with children enjoying Christmas crafts, a visit from Santa, and fun PE and fitness activities. Preparations are also under way for Westwood Park's 12 Days of Christmas show on 15th December at 2:30pm.

More stories and updates from across the Kickstart community are on the way and [click here](#) for our latest *Kickstart at Home Activity*.



CHILDCARE CORNER

This week at *Mesne Lea Primary*, the children were thrilled to welcome a very special visitor — Santa himself! Every child received a gift and enjoyed a range of fun activities, making it a truly magical day filled with smiles, excitement, and festive cheer.

Over at *St Kentigern's Primary*, the children got creative and had a fantastic time making their own gingerbread houses. It was a fun and festive activity that let their imaginations run wild whilst getting into the holiday spirit!

At *Bradshaw Hall Primary*, the children have been getting into the festive spirit, decorating the Christmas tree and preparing tasty treats for their Save the Children bake sale on Thursday.

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SPORTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Our PE and School Sport provision has been full of energy and excitement this week!

This week at *Torkington Primary*, the children have been enjoying invasion games in their PE lessons, full of energy, teamwork, and quick thinking.

These games help build communication, problem-solving, and resilience, whilst keeping everyone active and engaged. Well done to all our budding athletes for their brilliant effort and enthusiasm!

This week's PE and sport sessions were full of energy and progress! The children threw themselves into every activity, growing in confidence and ability. Bring on next week's challenges!



KICKSTART IN THE COMMUNITY



Family Club at *Westwood Park Community Primary School* is a friendly, safe place where families meet every Wednesday for fun activities, sports, crafts, and social time.

It's completely free and open to parents, carers, and children of all ages, including those with additional needs.

Over the past couple of weeks, families have been busy preparing for their 12 Days of Christmas show! Excitement is growing as everyone gets ready for this festive performance, which will take place at 2:30pm on 15th December 2025 in the school hall.

Stay tuned each week for more community highlights and upcoming events!

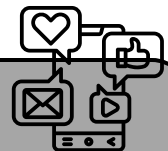
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Mon 15th Dec - 12 Days of Christmas
Weds 17th Dec - Cheadle Catholic Primary:
Afternoon Tea with the Elves
Thurs 18th Dec - Mottram Primary: Afternoon Tea
with the Elves
Mon 22nd & Tue 23rd Dec - Winter Holiday Club

For all childcare and holiday club
bookings, [click here.](#)

LET'S GET SOCIAL



You can stay up to date all things Kickstart by following us on social media. We are on most social media platforms and share our daily activities, updates, key dates, job opportunities and more.. Click the icon below to follow...





KICKSTART AT HOME



Welcome to Kickstart at Home — our weekly activity feature designed to help families continue the fun and learning from our childcare and school sessions right at home!

ACTIVITY DETAILS



Christmas Trees



Suitable For 5+



25mins

WHAT YOU WILL NEED



Paper Plate



Scissors



Glue



Green paint / colouring pens / pencils or crayons



Buttons / pom poms / beads

A GOOD EXAMPLE IS...



HOW TO DO IT

- Step 1 – Cut the paper plate in half, then cut each half again to create 4 equal triangle pieces.
- Step 2 – Stack the four triangles on top of each other and glue them together to form the shape of your Christmas tree.
- Step 3 – Paint or colour your tree in any festive colours you like.
- Step 4 – Decorate your tree by glueing on your chosen embellishments.
- Step 5 – Glue a lollipop stick to the bottom so you can hold your Christmas tree proudly.



WHAT CHILDREN WILL LEARN...

Fine motor skills, hand eye coordination, creativity & problem solving.



KICKSTART'S TOP TIPS

Work on a clean, clutter-free surface to keep the activity organised and safe.



SHARE YOUR SUCCESS

Make sure you share your fun and end result with us via our social media pages!

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