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### Winter Poems

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

This year in school, we are promoting writing and as part of this, we would like to invite you and your child to create a poem on the theme of 'Winter'.

The poem can be in whatever style you would like: acrostic, haiku or a verse poem with description, one that rhymes or uses rhyming couplets. (see below for more information on types of poems). There is a great website which is free to help support parents with writing at home <u>www.theschoolrun.com</u> It is free to register and once you do you will be able to access lots of information about how to write poems with your children.



We will incorporate all entries into a school book of *Winter Poems*. There will be three prizes of £5 book tokens for the best entries across school AND a £5 book token for the best adult entry.

The best way to promote writing for young children is to see people writing around them. Unfortunately, technology takes away the need to write for most people today so please use this opportunity to work with your children and submit your own poem. We would love to read and share these. The staff will be entering too. I have added some images which you could use as a stimulus for writing and 'winter'

#### All entries must be handed into the school office by 3.15pm on Monday 12th December 2022.

#### Happy writing!

Thank you

Mrs Bertram

Deputy Headteacher / Literacy Lead / EYFS Lead



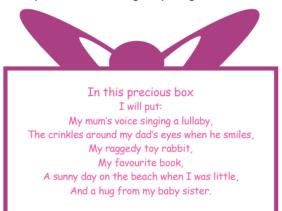




## Types of poems to support parents - (Just change the theme to winter)

# Reading and writing a list poem

In this list poem the poet has thought about things that are special to her and imagined putting them in a box.



## <u>Acrostic</u>

poems (write a word or

sentence around the theme of winter that begins with the first letter running vertically on the page)



Haiku poems - A haiku is a form of poem that originates from Japan.

A haiku has three lines. There can be any number of words, but there must be 5 syllables in the first line, 7 syllables in the second line and 5 syllables in the third line. Haikus do not usually rhyme.

Fresh air after rain

Wet branches drip heavily

The soil is refreshed.