# Early Language Newsletter #3 December 2023

#### Makaton

Just a little reminder there is a **'Countdown to Christmas'** on the Makaton website (<u>Countdown to Christmas (makaton.org</u>)

There is a new song/video clip each day until Christmas. There is also '<u>Sign of the Week</u>' It's great to learn new Makaton signs together.



It is free to access!

# Tiny Happy People

December is here and the air is starting to get seriously chilly, so we hope you're all wrapped up warm. This week we'd like to highlight some new activity videos for your use, as well as seasonal activities for practitioners and families to try: <u>here</u>.

You can find <u>a range of resources and ideas to try at</u> <u>home</u> on our website.

Why not sign up to the **Tiny Happy People** Newsletter to receive exciting updates: <u>Tiny Happy People Newsletter</u>

#### It's not too late to write to Santa....

Santa won't have time to send a letter back in the post as he's very busy at this time of year ... but you can download the reply from Santa by clicking on the Royal Mail link: <u>Ho Ho Here</u>

The card includes a message from Santa and Mrs Claus, and a Gingerbread Buddy recipe!



## Merry Christmas



### Talking Top Tip

Use all the senses to make learning new vocabulary fun and memorable!

For example, if you're teaching a child the names of fruits, encourage them to feel and smell various fruits as they learn the words.



Another idea is to use familiar songs and rhymes as a learning tool by missing out words for the child to fill in.





