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IAIN GLEN TO GUEST STAR IN NELLA THE PRINCESS KNIGHT CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

The *Game of Thrones* star will play Santa in the festive special of Nick Jr.'s animated series

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From Westeros' Dragonstone to Castlehaven, Iain Glen is heading to a new royal kingdom, the home of *Nella the Princess Knight*, as he lends his voice to play Santa in the Christmas special of Nick Jr.'s popular pre-school animated series. Titled *The Knight Before Christmas*, the episode will premiere this **Friday 15th December at 4.30pm only on Nick Jr.**

Nella the Princess Knight follows the adventures of 8 year old heroine Nella, who is far from the average Princess... she embarks on quests, goes on voyages and transforms into a Princess Knight to save her kingdom. She enjoys dancing at extravagant balls just as much as meeting fire-breathing dragons (a trait she shares with Iain's much loved *Game of Thrones* character).

In *The Knight Before Christmas*, Santa visits Castlehaven on Christmas Eve, but when naughty snow dragons take his sack of presents, it's up to Nella and her friends to go on a quest to save the day before morning.

Iain Glen said "My four year old is obsessed with *Nella the Princess Knight*! I do think that this is a particularly lovely show and I've really enjoyed being a part of it. I'm not planning on telling my daughter, so I'll see if she realises that it's me playing Santa when we sit down to watch it in December."

Robert Vargas (*Zack and Quack*) serves as an executive producer on *Nella the Princess Knight* and the series is created by Christine Ricci (*Blaze and the Monster Machines*, *Dora the Explorer*). It is the newest show to join Nick Jr.'s top-ranked pre-school properties, airing alongside *Blaze and the Monster Machines*, *Digby Dragon*, *PAW Patrol* and *Shimmer and Shine*.



An extensive consumer products line for *Nella the Princess Knight* will roll out in January 2018 with master toy partner Vivid across key UK retailers.

Online at nickjr.co.uk/nella, parents and children can meet the characters, discover activities, watch clips and sing along to the theme tune. The official app 'Nella the Princess Knight: Kingdom Adventures' can be downloaded from the iTunes store and Google Play. The game leans on princess-and-knight heroine Nella to inspire girl empowerment, self-confidence, resilience and compassion among players.

This December Nick Jr. will be counting down to Christmas with festive giveaways across the channel as well as airing festive episodes of *Blaze and the Monster Machines*, *PAW Patrol* and *Peppa Pig* throughout the month.

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Where every day's an adventure, Nick Jr. is a top-performing commercial pre-school entertainment brand in cable and satellite homes. Launched in 1999 as the world's first channel dedicated to pre-school children, Nick Jr.'s programming includes beloved shows *Paw Patrol*, *Dora and Friends: Into the City!*, *Peppa Pig*, *Lily's Driftwood Bay* and *Blaze and the Monster Machines*. Online, clips, games, exclusive activities and downloads are all available at nickjr.co.uk. Viewers also have the opportunity to catch up with the schedule through Nick Jr. +1. Nick Jr. is available on Sky 615, Virgin 715, through BT Vision and TalkTalk channel 318.

The Nickelodeon Network is a top-performing commercial kids TV network in the UK and Ireland with Nickelodeon channels available in over 13 million cable and satellite homes. Having launched in 1993 Nickelodeon UK comprises seven dedicated entertainment channels for kids aged 4-15 and their families, and is a joint venture between Viacom International Media Networks and BSkyB.

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