



November Newsletter

Pre-School Room

The children in the pre school room have been learning about Autumn. They have enjoyed taking part in creative activities such as conker rolling and making Autumn garlands. They have developed their physical skills through squeezing and using tools in the Autumn scented playdough. They have also learnt about animals that hibernate and those that are nocturnal.

They enjoyed learning about Diwali and how it is celebrated. They have been on lots of Autumn walks around the local community looking for signs of Autumn. They used the opportunity to talk about road safety and keeping safe in the local community. They enjoyed making hedgehogs out of clay and making bird seed cakes whilst learning about looking after birds.

Toddler Room

The Toddlers have had fun learning about Autumn. We have had fun playing with the leaves and jumping in them. We have also enjoyed printing with leaves and talking about the different colours. We have been developed our fine motor skills taking part in Conker rolling activities. We have learnt new vocabulary introducing language such as acorn, conker and pine cone. We have developed our physical skills playing with Autumn scented playdough.

Baby Room.

The babies have been outside playing in the leaves and enjoying walks around the local community. We have developed our sensory skills playing in our Autumn sensory tray. We have also enjoyed singing lots of nursery rhymes and developing our Communication and Language skills. We have also enjoyed small world play with our wooden animals.

Important Dates

- Bonfire Night 5th Nov
- Remembrance Day 11th Nov
- Children In Need 18th Nov
- Christmas Party 9th Dec
- Pre school Nativity 5th Dec

Book & Rhyme of the month

During November the pre school room will be reading "Leaf Man" by Lois Ehlert. The Toddler Room will be reading "Hedgehogs" by Steve Wilson and Lucy Tapper. The babies will be singing the rhyme "Hickory Dickory Dock".

30 Hour Funding.

If your child turns three before the 31st December then they will become eligible to Universal Hours funding and possibly Extended hours funding. If you would like more information please speak to Claire or Sam, or you can find further information on the government website <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>

Starting School

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 then they are due to start primary school in September 2023. To apply for a school place you must apply online by the 15th January 2023 at www.calderdale.gov.uk/admissions. The application process opens on the 18th November 22.

Christmas Party

Our children's Christmas party is scheduled to take place on Friday 9th December at 2pm at the nursery and will finish at 4pm.

If your child does not attend that day they will need to be dropped off at nursery at 2pm and collected by 4pm. There will be party food, games and lots of fun! A reply slip is attached to the newsletter for you to fill in stating whether your child will be attending.

This is very important as we will need to have an idea of numbers for both staffing and catering purposes.

Children in Need Day.

This year for Children in Need on Friday 18th November, we will be dressing up in anything spotty and asking for a small donation of £1.00.

Birthdays

James 15th

Emily 16th

Poppy 26th

Arthur M 28th

Wellies and Outdoor Coats

Please remember that we try to get out everyday whatever the weather. Please ensure that your child has a warm coat, hat and wellies with their name in.



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Things to do at home this month

Pre-School

The children in the pre school room are taking part in activities about Fireworks and Bonfire Night. You can draw pictures of fireworks and talk about your child's favourite colour. You can also talk about the sounds the fireworks make. Listening to different sounds and distinguishing between them helps support your child's pre reading skills. You can make parkin and support your child's mathematical skills through measuring and counting as well as your developing your child's literacy skills following a recipe. You can also read our book of the month "Leaf Man".

Toddler room

The children in the toddler room are reading the book "Hedgehogs". You can talk to your child about hedgehogs and introduce new vocabulary such as prickles. The toddlers will also be focusing on the their personal, social and emotional development especially their turn taking skills. You can support this learning at home through playing games that involve turn taking such as pop up dragon. They are going to be learning about colours and you can take part at home by looking at books with colours in or painting pictures and naming the colours.

Baby Room

The children in the Baby room will be singing the song "Hickory Dickory Dock". You can sing the song at home and talk about the mouse. You can look at books with animals in and talk about the noises they make developing your child's language skills.

They are also going to be taking part in lots of outdoor play and learning about windy days. You can watch the trees blowing in the wind or watch washing on the line and talk about it blowing in the wind.

Fireworks

sung to the tune

The wheels on the bus

The rockets in the sky go swish swish
bang

swish swish bang

swish swish bang

The rockets in the sky go swish swish
bang

On bonfire night.

Next Month

The Preschool will be reading the book "Nativity" by Usborne Books.

The Toddler Room will be reading the book "Paddington's Christmas Post" by Michael Bond

The Baby Room will be singing the rhyme: "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star".

Hickory Dickory Dock.

Hickory Dickory Dock,

The mouse ran up the clock.

The clock struck one,

The mouse ran down,

Hickory Dickory Dock.