



October Newsletter

Pre-School Room

This month the children in the pre-school room have been learning about Space and the world around them. They have learnt about the planets and space and enjoyed making planets out of papier mache. The activity supported their creative learning as well as supporting the children's knowledge of The World. They have made rockets using different shapes and developed their mathematical knowledge by learning the different shapes. It also developed the children's problem solving skills. They have learnt about the taking care of our planet through recycling and not throwing our rubbish on the floor. We have enjoyed using our singing skills and counting knowledge through singing songs about space such as "Five little men in a flying saucer"

Toddler Room

This month the Toddlers have been having lots of fun and learning about themselves and talking about different skin, hair and eye colours. They have looked at themselves in the mirror and drawn pictures of themselves. They have made playdough and used their creative skills to make faces out of the playdough. They have also sung songs about body parts such as "Head shoulders, knees and toes".

Baby Room

The babies have been exploring lots of natural play to enhance their physical development. They have also used these activities to develop their communication and language skills by introducing lots of new words, asking questions and modelling language. They have also sung lots of nursery rhymes throughout the month also encouraging lots of language.

Important Dates

- October Half Term—Mon 24th Oct until Fri 28th Oct.
- Breakfast around the World - 28th Oct 22
- Orange and Black Day- 28th Oct

Book and Rhyme of the Month

During October The Pre School children will be reading "Owl Babies" by Martin Wardell and singing "Five Little Leaves". The Toddler Room will be reading "Room On the Broom" by Julia Donaldson and singing "Five Little Leaves". The Baby Room will be singing "Humpty Dumpty".

Halloween

This year we will be having a dress up day for Halloween on Friday 28th October. Come dressed up in a costume or if you prefer you can come dressed up in something orange and black. There will be lots of fun activities planned throughout the week, so even if they do not attend on the Friday there will be plenty of activities for them to take part in during the rest of the week..

Cold Weather

Now the weather is getting colder, please can we ask that children are provided with a coat, hat and wellies. If your child already has a pair of wellies at nursery, please ask staff to check that they still fit. Also please could you provide a pair of indoor shoes for the children to change into, that can be kept at nursery. These can be either pumps or slippers and need to be **clearly labelled**. Thank you.

Labelling clothes

Please could we ask that all items of clothes are clearly labelled with your child's name. Many children have the same items of clothing and they can easily get mixed up.

Birthdays

Nura 9th
Eryx 13th
Tommy 18th
Jake 23rd
Tiara 24th
Archie 26th

Staff

We are looking forward to welcoming Sophie back from her maternity leave during October.

Emma has left so that she can attend to college to complete her studies to become a midwife. We will miss her and wish her all the best for the future.

We are delighted that Laura has joined us to run our after school club.



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Things to do at home this month

Pre-School

The children are going to be talking about Autumn throughout October. We are also going to be reading the book "The Owl Babies" by Martin Wardell. You could go on a Autumn Walk and collect some autumn leaves and make a collage out of them. Collect some conkers and use them to count with. You can talk about the nights getting darker and look for the stars in the night sky. You can bake gingerbread biscuits and develop your child's mathematical knowledge through weighing out the ingredients.

Toddler room

The Toddlers are also going to explore Autumn and will be learning about all things autumnal. You can join in at home by talking about the leaves falling from the trees, playing in the leaves and enjoy kicking the leaves. You can go for an Autumn walk and look for conkers and pine cones and use the opportunity to introduce new vocabulary such as acorn. You can also make collage pictures using leaves and twigs. You can paint pictures using autumn colours and talk about mixing the colours.

Baby Room

The Babies are going to be developing Communication and Language skills through singing Nursery Rhymes, looking at books and talking about the pictures, such as the animals and what noises they make. You can go for a walk and talk about the leaves falling down from the trees, talking about the colours of the leaves and the shapes. At bath time you can use toys and talk about pouring, filling and emptying to introduce new vocabulary.

5 Little Leaves

Five little leaves so bright and
gay,
Were dancing about on a tree one
day.
The wind came howling through
the town and
One little leaf came tumbling
down.

(repeat with 4, 3, 2..)

Next Month

During November we will be reading "Leaf Man" by Lois Ehlert.

The Toddler Room will be reading "Hedgehugs" by Steve Wilson and Lucy Tapper.

The babies will be singing the rhyme "Hickory Dickory Dock".

Humpty Dumpty

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall
All the king's horses and all the
king's men
Couldn't put Humpty together again.