

Nursery

NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th October 2024



PROUD TO BE, PROUD TO BELONG



Dear Parents,

This week, as part of the topic of 'autumn' the children have enjoyed exploring our autumn table. They have been busy looking at natural objects such as leaves, fir cones, conkers and pumpkins through magnifying glasses. We have also been learning language such as big, medium and small to describe the size of the leaves. Thank you to all of the families who brought in leaves this week. We used them to make leaf prints using autumn colours.



Diwali – The Festival of light

Next week, we will be learning about why our Hindu friends celebrate the festival of Diwali. We will be listening to the story of Ram and Sita. Here is a link to a simple story on BBC Teach for you to share with your child at home: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/articles/zdtmnrdr>

We will also be making yummy 'barfi' which is an Indian sweet, as well as Diwali crafts and cards.

Diwali Parties

We will be having our **Nursery Diwali parties** on **Friday 25th October**. The Nursery staff will provide the food and drinks. The children may wear **sensible** party clothes on this day.



Next week in the Nursery we will be learning:

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

- To follow the Nursery rules.

Communication & Language:

- To understand a question or an instruction.
- To share our wants and needs with the Nursery staff.

Literacy:

- To be able to recognise our names.
- To sing and join in with simple nursery rhymes, such as Humpty Dumpty, Wind The Bobbin Up and Twinkle Twinkle Little Star.

Mathematics:

- To be able to count from 1 to at least 10. At home you can help your child develop their counting skills by counting everyday objects. For example, how many spoons/forks/plates you have in your kitchen.

Physical Development:

- To develop our finger muscles by taking part in finger gym activities, for example using tweezers to pick up small objects, cutting along lines or colouring in simple pictures.
- To be able to take off our coats and hang them on the peg independently.

Understanding the World/Expressive Arts & Design:

- To continue to develop a positive attitude about the differences between people. We will be talking about the festival of Diwali and why our Hindu friends celebrate this festival. At home, talk to your child about the festivals that you celebrate as a family. We will also be making Diwali cards, crafts and barfi.

Reminders:

Please make sure that your child comes in to the Nursery wearing a coat each day.