

October 2026

Berkhamsted Newsletter



Welcome

What a lovely mild September we have had! We have been very lucky to experience such great sunshine. We continue to welcome new families into the setting

What's to come...



We have our Halloween Tea Party on 29th October. Children are very welcome to dress up, and they will enjoy some lovely spooky activities in their rooms!

On the 4th October 10-11am it is Grandparents Day and we would like to invite any grandparents to come and read a story with their grandchildren. You can bring a favourite story or read one we have at nursery.

On the 14th October we have our Parents Evening at the nursery. For new parents, this is a lovely opportunity to come and sit down for 10 minutes – enjoy a drink and some nibbles – and talk to your child's key worker. This is an ideal time to share if you would like them to work on anything specific with your child and ask any questions.

Don't forget
parents
evening!

What we have been up to...

The children have been enjoying learning about the season of autumn. They have been looking at the change in colour of the leaves and what they can find in their garden.

Thank you to our parents and children for collecting resources on your home learning nature walk. This included sticks, leaves, conkers, and pinecones. Jess in Owls has set up lovely a playdough area outdoors to create things from playdough with your items.



Thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan Breakfast Morning. Kevin, our Chef, is passionate about this charity and put on a lovely spread. We will keep you updated with how much we raised.



Parent Notices

Review us!

Please take the time to give us a review on [Google](#), as well as Facebook and [Day Nurseries](#).

Please like our Facebook page to see the lovely activities the rooms are doing - www.facebook.co.uk/gossomsend

Door Safety

Just a polite reminder, please do not let other parents into the setting. Everyone needs to buzz the door to come in please.

Emergency Contacts

Please can you take the time to review your child's profile and ensure they have at least 2 emergency contacts that are not the child's parent. This is for us to be able to meet the new statutory framework changes. Thank you.

Waterproofs and winter clothes

Now the weather is turning please bring in suitable clothing so we can continue going outside. Waterproofs and wellies are useful as well.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
W/C 26 th 29 th	Half term – funded children Halloween Tea Party – dressing up
14 th 6.15-7.30	Parents Evening
5 th 10-11am	Grandparents come and read a story



Recipe of the Month

Chicken & Veg Pie Ingredients

- 250g diced chicken breast or thigh Quorn
- 200g mixed root veg (carrot, parsnip, beetroot & swede)
- 150ml low-sodium chicken stock
- ¼ tsp dried herbs
- 40ml semi-skimmed milk
- 20g unsalted butter
- 20g plain flour
- Ready-made puff pastry
- 1 egg, beaten (for glaze)

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180°C (fan).
2. Boil/Roast diced root veg until just tender & mash.
3. In a large pan, cook chicken/**Quorn** until browned and cooked through.
4. Make a roux with butter and flour, whisk in milk and stock to form sauce.
5. Add veg, chicken and herbs; stir to coat.
6. Pour mixture into deep trays
7. Roll out puff pastry and cut into circles with pastry cutter, cook on a baking sheet separately to the pie mix then serve age-appropriate amounts.
8. Bake 30-35 minutes until golden and piping hot.
9. Cool before serving.



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