

Welcome,

Thank you for taking the time to read our November newsletter! October was a wonderful month, the children have been busy learning, exploring, and having lots of fun. Take a look at some of the highlights from last month, as well as the exciting things we have planned for November.

This month

November will be full of colour and excitement as we mark Fireworks Night.

Road Safety Week takes place this month, and we'll be engaging the children in a variety of fun and educational activities to help them learn about staying safe.

We hope you will join us on 28th November for our Nursery Christmas Light Switch On and Christmas Fair!



What have we been up to...

Little Toads

We've been having a wonderful time learning about animals and mini beasts! The children have enjoyed discovering bugs in the garden and exploring where different animals live. Water play has been a firm favourite this month, with lots of opportunities to explore language around quantity. We've also loved exploring different coloured leaves and the crunching textures between our fingers.

Owls

The children have continued to show an interest in the autumnal weather and have enjoyed more autumn themed activities! They have been creating their own trees and hedgehogs too. We have also loved dancing and getting involved with Diwali activities celebrating colours.

Hedgehogs

The babies have been having so much fun exploring the new rainbow tunnel! It's been wonderful to see them developing their physical skills as they climb, crawl, and pull themselves up. We've also been getting creative with lots of hand and foot painting to make some spooky Halloween artwork to take home. The little ones have especially enjoyed the tickly sensation of the paint—there's been plenty of giggles all around!

Butterflies

The children have been getting involved in Halloween themed messy activities, from bubbly cauldron painting to creating pumpkins with paper plates. Butterflies have also enjoyed exploring the ways in which they can use the soft play in the room, from climbing, to crawling, to balancing.

Parent Notices

Christmas Fair

We're really looking forward to welcoming everyone to our Christmas Fair on Friday, 28th November! If you have any unwanted gifts or bottles, you'd be happy to donate, we'd be incredibly grateful—they'll make fantastic prizes for our raffle.

Parking

A polite reminder, please use the bays outside of the nursery when parking, and not the staff car park.

Buggy shed

Please could you ensure that buggies are being folded in the buggy shed so everyone has space.

Thank you!

Nursery Events

Date	Event
5 th November	Fireworks Night
9 th November	Remembrance Sunday
14 th November	Children in Need
28 th November	Christmas Fair & Light Switch On



Recipe of the Month - Smoky Courgette & Chickpea Muffins



(Serves 5)

Ingredients

Courgettes - 65 g
Chickpeas - 50 g
Self-Raising Flour - 100 g
Baking powder - ½ tsp
Smoked paprika - 1 tsp
Grated cheddar - 50 g
Milk - 45 ml
Cold butter - 10 g

Method

1. Heat the oven to 200c.
2. Mix flour, baking powder and paprika.
3. Rub in cold butter until you get fine crumbs.
4. Grate the courgettes and squeeze as much water out as possible.
5. Add cheese, chickpeas and courgettes.
6. Combine with milk until you have a slightly sticky dough.
7. Knead the dough on a floured service until smooth.
8. Make 20 balls and place on a baking tray with grease proof paper.
9. Brush with milk and bake approx. 10-12 mins until golden.

Kind Regards
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