

Welcome

Thank you for taking the time to read our April newsletter! March was a fun-filled month, and 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 April.

Our children have been enjoying watching the ducks hatch and grow. They are always excited to check on them and see how much they have changed each day. Seeing the tiny ducklings hatch out of their eggs and slowly grow bigger has been a wonderful and memorable experience for them. It has helped the children to learn about nature, patience and how living things grow over time.



This month

We have lots of exciting things coming up in the month of April and lots to look forward to.

This month, we will be 'hopping' into spring, enjoying the warmer weather and the signs of the changing season. It's the perfect time to put away our winter coats and get out the sun hats! We'll be spending lots of time in the garden and vegetable patch, planting fruit and vegetables that we hope to use in our meals. The children will also enjoy observing the seasonal changes and welcoming all that spring has to offer.

This month the children will also be enjoying joining in with lots of fun Easter-themed crafts and activities, such as decorating eggs to Easter egg hunts.

What we have been up to...

Hedgehogs have enjoyed making special Mother's Day crafts and enjoyed exploring the textures and colours of different paints. They have also been enjoying spending time outside, exploring the garden and taking in the fresh air.



In **Butterflies**, the children have been exploring different colours while creating beautiful daffodil paintings, inspired by the warmer weather and the first signs of spring. They also enjoyed setting up a "tea-riffic" tea party for Mother's Day with their teddies. The children have been thrilled watching the ducklings grow and have loved it when they waddle over to say hello!



Little Toads have enjoyed using a variety of one-handed tools for printing and mark making. The children have had lots of fun exploring colours and patterns which using tools such as stampers and rollers which has also helped with their fine motor development and hand-eye coordination. The children have loved being creative and finding different things each day to use.



Owls have had an exciting time this month, starting with World Book Day. They enjoyed dressing up as their favourite characters and diving into book-based activities from finding clues on a scavenger hunt to getting messy in a real-life mud pie, inspired by Superworm! Owls also enjoyed a space day where they explored themed water trays and play dough. They even got to create their own planets.

Parent Notices

For safety reasons, we kindly ask that parents do not use the staff toilets during drop-off and pick up times. These facilities are for the staff and parents use only.

If your child needs to use the toilet while you are arriving or leaving, please take them to their classroom where they can use the children's toilets with support of staff.

Thank you for your understanding and for helping keep everyone safe.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
3rd April - 6th April 2026	Easter
3rd April 2026	Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed
6th April 2026	Bank Holiday - Nursery Closed
22nd April 2026	Earth Day
23rd April 2026	St George's Day

Recipe of the Month Salmon Thai curry and brown rice

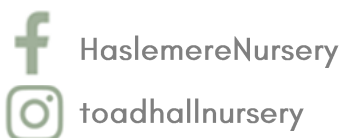
(Serves 6)

Ingredients

1 onion
1 tsp garlic
1 tbsp curry powder
10g fresh parsley
1 vegetable stock cube
800ml boiling water
400g salmon fillets
10ml vegetable oil
80g frozen peas
100g broccoli
300g rice

Method

1. Dice the onion and garlic and finely chop the parsley.
2. Dissolve the stock cube into boiling water.
3. Steam the salmon until cooked through.
4. Meanwhile, heat the oil in a pan and add the onion, cook for 1-2 minutes.
5. Add peas, broccoli and rice and stir.
6. Add stock, curry powder until the rice and vegetables are covered and stir. Leave to simmer until the majority of the stock has been absorbed.
7. Flake the salmon and combine well. Sprinkle with parsley.



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