

Welcome,

Thank you for taking the time to read our September newsletter.

In August we have been busy transforming our front garden into our growing area. The rooms have been busy helping to grow the fruit and vegetables, and they have finally been able to pop them into the planters to watch them grow.

Take a look at some of the highlights from last month and what we have planned ahead.

What's to come...

School Leavers 2027

We know that September 2027 seems a long way away but the school admissions for then opens in October 2026. To help support you with this process and transition we will be holding the first School Readiness meeting on the 17th September, from 6.30. We will run a free creche for parents who would like to come along but don't have any childcare. Please pop us an email if you would like to book them in.

During the meeting we will go through your first steps of looking at schools, what to look for, your catchment areas and when the deadline is for your area's application. We will hopefully be able to answer all your questions and can help with any further support you may need.

What we have been up to...

Hedgehogs have been following their fascinations of Dinosaurs though a variety of activities. They explored painting with them, freeing them from ice and singing lots of dinosaur songs.

Little Toads have been exploring all about the Solar Eclipse and made their own chalk rubbings. They have also been talking lots about our new transitions to Butterflies and Pre-School, exploring our feelings and emotions.

Butterflies enjoyed exploring all about the Eclipse. The children have also enjoyed reading stories about coming nursery, starting school and having a new baby, to help the children with the different transitions they are going through.



This month **Owls** have been welcoming the children settling from Little Toads and Butterflies. They have been sharing stories about change and growing up. They also had lots of fun exploring the Solar Eclipse and made their own moving sun and moon eclipses.

Parent Notices

Door Safety

Please can you ensure that you are closing the door behind you. Only one family are allowed in at one time. This is to ensure that we are safeguarding the children, parents/carers, visitors and staff.

Fun Day

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Summer Family Fun Day. We hope you had as much fun as we did. We raised an amazing over £900 for the charity WellChild, and that is all down to your generous donations and support, so a big thank you!



Dates for your diary

Date	Event
11 th September	Parents take away breakfast
17 th September	School Readiness Parent Meeting
7 th October	Photo Day

Recipe of the Month

Frozen Banana Yoghurt Lollies

Ingredients

- Bananas
- Natural or Greek yoghurt

Optional toppings:

- Desiccated coconut
- Cinnamon

Method

1. Peel bananas and cut them in half.
2. Insert a lolly stick or child-safe skewer.
3. Allow children to dip the bananas into yoghurt.
4. Roll in chosen toppings.
5. Place on a lined tray and freeze for 2-3 hours.
6. Enjoy as a refreshing summer snack.

Learning Opportunities

- Exploring different textures and temperatures
- Developing fine motor skills through dipping and rolling
- Encouraging independence and food confidence
- Talking about healthy foods that help keep our bodies cool and hydrated
- Introducing new flavours in a fun and pressure-free way

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Kind Regards

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