Ottershaw Newsletter



Welcome

Thank you for taking the time to read our August Newsletter. Look at what the children have been up to over the last month and what is to come in August.

What have we been up to ...

Throughout July we have been enjoying the outdoors, taking care of our allotments and developing our green finger skills.

We have had a wonder celebration for our Graduates who we will miss dearly when they start their new adventure at school in September!

Next month will be a chance for the children moving rooms or new starters to have their visits and adapt to new rooms and routines.



This month Hedgehogs

In July, the children in Hedgehogs have been enjoying time outside in both the baby garden and exploring the big garden riding the bikes. We have also been enjoying song time and practising our actions. What's your child's favourite song?

Next month we will be celebrating National Book Lovers Day, where we ask if your child has a favourite book, please do bring it into nursery for us to read. We will also be celebrating National Allotment Week by planting some seeds in the garden.

Little Toads

This month, Little Toads have had lots of fun taking part in sports activities, enhancing our fine and gross motor skills–supporting overall physical development. We are caring for our environments and completing garden checks using the litter pickers. They have also loved water play to celebrate National Marine Week.

In August, we will focus on our 'cook and grow' topic by learning about growth and life cycles. The children love cooking activities, so we will follow this interest and introduce new foods, and pick our home grown veg from the allotments.

Owls

Last month in Owls we explored the outdoor space and our nature garden – we've being feeding the birds and watering the plants.

Next month we will be learning more about nature and the world around us, including the life cycle of animals. We will be celebrating National Book Lovers Day by exploring our favourite books and book themed tuff trays.

Parent Notices

Naming clothes

Please can we remind all parents to name all sunhats and clothing.

Summer shoes

Please remember, we do not allow open toe shoes at nursery. This is for health and safety purposes and to ensure all risks of accidents are minimized.

Review us!

We are still aiming to achieve higher ratings on Day Nurseries so please take the time to complete a review.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
08/08/2025	Bring in a Book/Parent Read
09/08/2025- event on 8 th	National Book Lovers Day
12/08/2025	National Allotment Week
30/08/2025	Summer Fun Open Day



Recipe of the Month - Jerk Chicken with Wholegrain Rice



(Serves 5)

Ingredients

Chicken (diced) - 300g
Cajun Spice - 3 tsp
Tomato Puree - 20g
Smoked Paprika - 3 tsp
Cinnamon - 1 tsp
Onions (diced) - 1 whole
Garlic - 1 clove
Ginger - 1 tsp
Soft Brown Sugar - 20g
Lime Juice - 25ml
Thyme - 3 tsp
Rice - 360g

Method

- 1.Heat oven to 180'C. With a stick blender whizz together the onion, thyme, garlic, spices and tomato puree. Stir in the lime juice and a splash of water.
- 2. Coat the chicken in the paste and roast in the oven until golden brown and cooked through.
- 3. Bring a pot of water to the boil and cook the rice. Adding the peas for the last 10 minutes. Bring to a boil 4. Serve the chicken with the vegetable

Vegetarian Option: Use Mixed beans

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Kind Regards



