

Ottershaw Newsletter



Welcome

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

We are delighted to share that Taya was nominated as our employee of the month. Well done, Taya!



In **Hedgehogs**, the team have been focusing on the children's individual interests, using them to inspire a range of engaging experiences. The children have been exploring water, ice, mark making and have enjoyed lots of singing and stories. They have also loved their Monday sessions with Jazz Hands.

Little Toads have had a very busy August. They have enjoyed lots of water and ice play activities alongside playdough, sand and lots of singing. They have also been enjoying their foot ball classes on Thursdays and Jazz Hands on Mondays.

What's to come...

Owls have had a busy month. They have been saying goodbye to the children going off to school and have been keeping cool in the hot weather with lots of water and ice play. The children have really enjoyed the small world toys this month and have made some amazing animal and dinosaur worlds. They have also loved making camps and dens in the room, where they have been role playing.

There are also lots of fun days in September including Rosh Hashanah, Read a Book Day, Talk like a Pirate Day and International Friendship Day. The children will be doing lots of fun activities to celebrate these.

Little Toads and **Owls** will also be welcoming back Willows forest school leader Amanda who will be leading lots of fun activities out in the garden.



Parent Notices

Dates for your diary

Tax free childcare

Could we please ask that families that pay through tax free childcare ensure that the payment is set up to reach us on the 1st of the month for the month ahead.

Labelling Clothes

We are finding that more clothes are going missing. Can we please ask that you label all your children's clothing including their shoes.

Green wet bags

We have recently introduced reusable green bags for wet/soiled clothing. Some of you may have already had these sent home with your child. Can we please ask that any bags sent home are washed and returned to nursery so they can be used again.

Social media

Did you know, you can find Toad Hall nursery Group on Instagram as well as our Nursery Facebook page? Please follow along to see the fun we have!

<https://www.instagram.com/toadhallnursery>

Date	Event
4 th September	National Wildlife Day
6 th September	Read a Book Day
11 th to 13 th September	Rosh Hashanah
14 th to 20 th September	Recycle Week
15 th September	Parents Breakfast
19 th September	Talk like a Pirate Day
30 th September	International Day of Friendship

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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