



PLAYDAYS
NURSERY
Creative Learning

WEEK COMMENCING 11TH OCTOBER 2021

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FARNBOROUGH



What have we been up to?

Baby Centre- This week in our Baby Centre, we have explored many sensory activities. Our babies have been thoroughly interested in a variety of sensory activities such as flour play, body painting, music and movement and sensory bags; we incorporated these activities to still follow the autumnal theme. The babies also initiated using the big transport cars to create marks within the flour, so we followed this interest through to other sensory activities. We have been developing our mobility a little further by encouraging walkers for all of our cruising babies.

Hedgehogs- This week in Hedgehog's, we have been exploring Halloween a little further as it just round the corner. We have created some activities that also incorporate some autumnal aspects such as a spooky water tuff tray, apple number hunt and started creating a scarecrow for our room. We have developed our fine and gross motor skills through conker rolling to create different marks in a tray. Hedgehogs have also been showing their mathematical skills during their apple hunt; Hedgehogs were able to count in sequence and recognise some numerals that matched their apples. We are looking forward to getting stuck in to Halloween activities to support our interests, learning and development!

Pre-school- This week in Pre-school, we have been using our mathematical skills by counting conkers and matching them to acorn numerals. Pre-school have been enjoying our autumnal bingo game where they have been learning the skills of turn taking and matching patterns and pictures. We have started learning about and discussing black history month and exploring important people who have created and made history such as Garratt Morgan who created the three-position traffic light system. We also explored the story of Handa's Surprise and discussed Rosa Parks and her bravery and how she made history. We have continued learning Makaton. Pre-school have shown so much skill in being able to learn the song of twinkle twinkle. We have been able to develop our Makaton communication skills such as 'good morning' and 'good afternoon everyone'.

**Check out Tapestry for more of the fun things we have been up to this week!
Like and follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates and events- details below**

Upcoming Events

- Thursday 21st October- Individual photos from Concept Photography
- Friday 22nd October- Make something pink day
- Friday 29th October- Halloween Party
- Monday 25th October- Monday 1st November 2021- Half term
- Parents evening reports- reports will be processed onto your children's tapestry, under the reports section by end of October. All reports will need to be accessed via a pc or laptop to view.
- Please speak with management to reserve a ticket for any parties or stay and plays.



MENU NEXT WEEK WE WILL BE ON MENU **THREE**



This month we are re-developing our play and learning at home initiative to correspond with the new EYFS 2021 curriculum

COVID 19

If you are double vaccinated (14 days post your 2nd vaccine) or under the age of 18, and you are in contact with someone that tests positive, you will no longer have to isolate. However, your child will require a PCR test if they live with someone that tests positive or if they display any signs or symptoms, before returning to nursery. We would be very grateful that if you or your child have been in contact with someone who tests positive, to make a member of staff or management aware so that we can be extra vigilant and monitor for any signs and symptoms.

If we get 3 or more positive cases within a bubble, the whole bubble will be asked to isolate for 72 hours before getting a PCR test (all negative results will need to be emailed to a member of the management team)

We will do everything we can to avoid any disruption to our families, and we are working tirelessly to keep COVID out of the nursery so please be extra vigilant to symptoms, get your child tested if you are not sure and please be honest with our staff.

Please also be reminded that staff are following our policies and guidance given to us by our local authority, if asking you to collect your child, get tested or remain off nursery due to COVID. Verbal abuse, obscene language or raising your voice to our staff will not be tolerated. If this happens/continues to happen we will enforce our Zero Tolerance Policy to those that it applies to (please ask a member of the team if you would like to see this)

Reminders

- Please ensure your child has suitable clothing for the weather ahead of their session, so they are able to make full use of the activities and facilities provided. Including wellington boots, rain coats etc.
- Please remember, if you are showing symptoms and/or are awaiting test results for COVID 19; please do not come to the nursery to drop your child off.
- Drop off/Collection-Please ensure you are dropping and collecting your child at the correct session times. Ratios are organised accordingly, and you may be at risk of being asked to wait if you are too early for your child's session or a late fee may be applied to your account.
- Label clothing-Please ensure all your child's belongings are clearly labelled to lower the risk of missing items.
- Prescribed medication- Please ensure all prescribed medication has been given for a minimum of 24 hours/ 4 doses before returning to nursery. We can give medication as long as the labelled medication is provided, and it is signed in each day.