

WEEK COMMENCING 18TH OCTOBER 2021

PLAYDAYS NURSERY

FARNBOROUGH



What have we been up to?

Baby Centre- This week in our Baby Centre, we have continued our theme of sensory play, whilst incorporating the start of Halloween. We have been very interested in spiders so we thought it would be a great opportunity to create our own! Our babies thoroughly enjoyed using their hands to paint with and create handprint spiders. We then explored our garden to look for real spiders with some of our older babies, who have shown a great interest in this. In our baby centre we have also enjoyed using music and movement to encourage our listening and attention. Our babies have been very keen to sing to Incy Wincey Spider to correspond with our theme this week; we have been singing many more songs that we have an interest in too, which really engages our babies.

Hedgehogs- This week in Hedgehog's, we have taken part in a spooky Halloween week! This week we really enjoyed creating 'sausage mummies', spider paintings, dancing to Halloween music and a pyjama movie afternoon! Hedgehogs have shown a huge interest in Halloween and have started to communicate what they would like to dress up as to go Trick or Treating. Hedgehogs have really enjoyed decorating their own pumpkins and the room to bring out the Halloween theme.

Pre-school- This week in Pre-school, we have been using our senses to create our own potions and developed our communication skills and senses to express what we could smell, see and feel. We have been using our gross motor skills to create our own obstacle courses and used our developing social skills to play within groups. Pre-school have also been developing their fine motor skills to create Halloween pictures and have enjoyed creating scary faces for the Halloween theme. We have expanded on this to talk about emotions by drawing happy and sad faces, Pre-school then followed onto communicating and discussing what makes them happy and what makes them sad.

We have all created a 'Make Something Pink' Day to raise awareness for Breast Cancer Research UK. Playdays have thoroughly enjoyed getting stuck in, making and decorating biscuits and exploring pink art materials to create their own pictures to take home.

To donate please visit [Donate to Cancer Research UK](https://www.donate.org.uk) |

**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

- Friday 29th October- Halloween Party
- Monday 25th October- Monday 1st November 2021- Half term for all term time only and all 15 & 30 hour funded children
- 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
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school leavers 2022

If your child will be starting school in September 2022, please don't forget the school admissions open from the 1st November until the 15th January 2022. If you need any support with this or have any questions please don't hesitate to speak to Sophie or Molly



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 bringing in a coat each day
- 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.