

Dear Parents and Carers...

This half term the children have enjoyed many new experiences. The children have visited the school library and have learnt how to walk through the school and up the stairs safely and quietly. They have collected a cushion to sit on and independently chosen a



picture book to look at.



On Friday morning's the children have joined in with PE. They have learnt warm up games and cool down activities. They have also learnt new dances and have started to have a go on equipment.



Finally, children have been experiencing the joy of Autumn. They have explored the colours of leaves and played with natural objects we find at autumn like fir cones and conkers. We have been outside in the rain jumping in muddy puddles and especially enjoyed sliding into piles of leaves.



There is not long of Autumn left but we will continue to join in with as many Autumn childhood experiences as possible before Winter starts.

From all of the Nursery Team

Key theme: Childhood in Autumn



Our key theme for the year is childhood. We aim for every child to have fun, playful and memorable experiences for every season.

For the next few months our key theme is **Celebrations and Festivals in Autumn.**

Dates for your diary

First day of term: Monday 4th of November

Winter Celebration Details to follow soon

INSET: Friday the 29th of November

Last day of the autumn term: Friday 13th December

Don't forget...

The weather will soon start getting colder. On cold days please send your child in with hat and gloves. We go outside whatever the weather.



PE

The children at Nursery are having PE every Friday morning. It would be great if your child could wear trainers on this day.



Library

Nursery will continue visiting the Library on Tuesday and Wednesday.



Key Experiences

- Try out some simple dances from other cultures.
- Join in with imaginary play based on different jobs people in our community.
- Look at photos and objects from Remembrance Day, Diwali and Halloween.
- Make pretend birthday cakes, invitations and throw imaginary birthday parties.
- Join in with creative crafts like making divas, making rangoli patterns using loose parts, collaging poppies and printing fireworks.

Books we will be reading:



Sounds we will be learning:



Rhymes we will be singing:


12345
Hey diddle diddle
Hickory Dickory Dock
The grand old duke of York

Words we are learning


	Autumn		fireworks
	lantern		Bonfire
	Diva/light		poppy
	invitation		Birthday card
	party		candle
	present		Birthday cake
	Party hat		birthday

5 ways to help your child at home


1 Talk about special events you celebrate at home. Maybe you could look at some photos. Do you eat special food? Do you wear special clothes?




2 There are lots of child-friendly videos about festivals. You could watch, learn and talk about all sort of festivals by watching [‘My First Festivals’](#) on Cbeebies.



3 Role play! At home can you pretend to be a doctor, a nurse, police officer, shop keeper?



4 Have a pretend party with your child cuddly toys. Make decorations, have some party food, sing special songs and play special games.



5 On Nursery in a Box please send us photos of celebrations and festivals your child joins in with at home. We can then look at these photos at Nursery.

