

Celebrations / Seasonal Changes

Nursery Autumn 2



The books we are learning about this half term are:

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LEAF MAN

By Lois Ehlert

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WORLD NURSERY RHYME WEEK

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THE GRUFFALO

By Julia
Donaldson

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NATIVITY

Usborne Books

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IMMI'S GIFT

By Karin Littlewood

The nursery rhymes we are learning about this half term are:

- > I Hear Thunder
- > A selection of classic Nursery Rhymes
- > Christmas Nativity songs

Our dedicated and experienced Nursery team consists of Mrs Mannion, Mrs Bailey and Miss Cherry. We believe in supporting children's holistic development in order to provide tailored learning opportunities which enable all children to reach their full potential. We encourage children to experience and participate in a wide variety of learning opportunities through a hands-on, play based curriculum. Our planning carefully considers our children's current needs and interests in order to engage and nurture all children, in a challenging yet supportive environment.

Our Learning

To develop our Personal, Social and Emotional skills, we will be continuing to focus on how to follow our class rules and understand why they are important. We will be supporting children to identify and talk about their feelings. Children are encouraged to play alongside another peers and engage in each others play. We will look at different ways to help us self regulate, such as taking deep breaths and counting and practise these.

To support our Communication and Language development, we will be listening to longer stories and discussing what has happened. We will also be learning to sing a large repertoire of songs, including songs for our Christmas nativity. We will continue to work in small groups to complete Wellcomm activities to help reinforce our communication and understanding skills.

In Physical Development, we will continue to practise our riding, balancing, jumping, climbing and ball skills. We will continue to access the soft play area to develop confidence in all of these important areas.

Things to remember:

- Labelled water bottle
- Full set of spare clothes in a disposable carrier bag
- Healthy, nut free snack
- Welly boots
- Please apply sun cream BEFORE coming to Nursery. Staff can then encourage your child to provide a top- up after lunch
- Label all personal items with your child's name
- If your child comes home dirty, it's because they have had a fantastic day!

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In Literacy, we will continue to look at these key concepts about print:

1. Print has meaning
2. Print can have different purposes
3. We read English text from left to right and from top to bottom

We will also be looking at our own names and learning to recognise them.

In Maths, we will continue to recite numbers and will be practising to count objects by saying one number for each item in order. We will also look at using the language of size to describe different objects.

In Understanding the World, we will explore the traditions that various religions celebrate. We will also expand our knowledge of seasonal changes and what this means and looks like. We will enhance our observational skills while interacting with natural processes involving ice melting, discussing terms such as frozen and melting.

In Expressive Arts and Design, we will be exploring different materials freely to develop our ideas about how to use them and what to make. We will continue to use a range of different media such as paint, chalk, wax crayons, clay, sand and glitter to create our own art.

In Forest School, we will be continuing to recap the boundaries for Forest Schools and we will also be linking our learning to our reading books such as *The Leaf Man*, by Lois Elbert and *The Gruffalo*, by Julia Donaldson.